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The 2nd Battalion The Suffolk Regiment, at present stationed at Gibraltar, is under orders to proceed to Hongkong, according to a Reuter's message received from Gibraltar this morning, which states that the information is authoritative.

Enquiries at Command Headquarters this morning revealed that Reuter's information is correct, though at present further details are lacking.

THE OFFICERS.

Lieut. Colonel F. S. Cooper, D.S.O., commands the battalion which is being sent to double the Hongkong garrison, while under him are Major A. G. Taylor, Major A. M. Cuthill, Major N. A. Bittlestone, Capt. R. W. Leach, Capt. G. G. Carpenter, D.S.O., Capt. G. F. Hill, M.C., Capt. E. H. W. Backhouse, Capt. E. H. Faulconer Wright, Capt. F. C. Berill, Capt. P. R. W. Cartew, and Capt. S. P. Inskip. The adjutant is Lieut. H. R. Hopking.

Sixteen subalterns complete the list of officers as follows: Lieutenants V. C. Russell, D.S.O., M.C., F. H. Vinden, N. A. Bott, M.C., D.C.M., M.M., R. H. Maxwell, R. Q. March, E. R. D. Elias, O. A. Watts, G. T. E. Grey, W. J. G. Walters, R. H. H. Unwin, A. R. D. Heyland, R. N. Charrington, N. M. Barnardiston, R. H. I. Hopkins, Second-Lieutenants I. L. Wight, and J. R. H. Unwin. Lieut. B. G. F. Drew is Quarter Master.

WITH REGIMENT IN 1914.

It is of interest to note that four of the officers were with the Suffolk Regiment in 1914, three of them with the battalion. Capt. R. W. Leach was with the 1st Battalion, 1910 to 1914 as first lieutenant, while Capt. E. H. W. Backhouse, Capt. P. R. W. Cartew and Capt. S. P. Inskip joined the 2nd Battalion, and were second lieutenants together in the early days of the war.

BATTLE HONOURS.

Prior to the Great War, the Regiment's battle honours were Dettingen, Minden, Seringapatam, India, South Africa 1851-2-3, New Zealand, Afghanistan, South Africa 1899-1902.

The Suffolks had twenty-two battalions in the Great War, and their battle honours are appended.—Mons, Le Cateau, Retreat from Mons, Marne 1914, Aisne 1914, La Bassée 1914, Givenchy 1914, Neuve Chappelle, Ypres 1915 '17, '18, Gravenstafel, St. Julien, Fezenburg, Bellewaerde, Aubers, Hooge 1915, Loos, Somme 1916 '18, Albert 1916 '18, Bapaume 1917, Delville Wood, Pozieres, Flers Courcelette, Morval, Thiepval, Le Transloy, Ancre Heights, Ancre 1916 '18, Arras 1917 '18, Scarpe 1917 '18, Arleux, Pilken, Langemarck 1917, Menin Road, Polygon Wood, Poelcappelle, Passchendaele, Cambrai 1917 '18, St. Quentin, Bapaume 1918, Lys, Estaires, Messines 1918, Hazebrouck, Baillicul, Kemmel, Bethune, Scherpenberg, Armentiers, Hindenburg, Line, Epehy, Canal du Nord, Courtrai, Selle, Valenciennes, Sambre, France and Flanders 1914-18, Struma, Dobruja 1918, Macedonia 1916-18, Suvla, Landing at Suvla, Scimitar Hill, Gallipoli 1915, Egypt 1915-17, Gaza, El Muqhar, Nabi Saznwi, Jerusalem; Jaffa, Tell Asur, Megiddo, Sharon, Palestine 1917-18.

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EUROPE UNREST.

TWO CHANGES OF GOVERNMENTS.

COUP IN LITHUANIA.

Berlin, Dec. 17.

The Government has resigned owing to the Socialist vote of non-confidence being adopted by the Reichstag by 249 votes to 171.—Reuter.

HOW THE VOTING WENT.

Later. The Reichstag has adjourned until January 19.

The majority against the Government consisted of Socialists, German Nationals, Communists and Extreme Nationalists. The German Nationals voted in favour of the motion of non-confidence, despite President Hindenburg's requesting their leader Count Westarp not to do so owing to reasons of foreign policy, as important negotiations with the Entente were proceeding for which a stable Government was essential.

Aeroplanes are also to be used, two having been specially set aside for the purpose of bombing pirate strongholds which are inaccessible to troops and marines.

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INTERESTING CEREMONY AT
ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

Military circles were interested in a wedding which took place at St. John's Cathedral yesterday morning, when Mrs. Gladys Mary Compton Smith, who recently arrived in the Colony from Home, was married to Major Guy Lansbury Peterson, R.A.S.C.

The bride is the widow of the late Major Compton Smith, who, it will be recalled, was killed in Ireland by Republican forces after having been captured whilst engaged sketching and held as hostage for the survivors of a party of Irish volunteers.

The service was conducted by the Cathedral Chaplain, the Rev. H. V. Copley Moyle. It was a quiet wedding, attended only by a few officers, friends of the bridegroom, and Warrant Officers, N.C.O.'s and men of the R.A.S.C. and I.A.S.C. (permanent staff).

The General Officer Commanding the Troops in China, Major General C.C. Luard, C.B., gave the bride away, and Major Bennett, M.C., was best man.

The bride and bridegroom passed under an archway of crossed swords as they left the Cathedral for Headquarters House, where the reception was held. Later Major and Mrs. Peterson left for Repulse Bay, before proceeding to Fanling, where the honeymoon will be spent.

Amongst those present at the ceremony and later at the reception were: Mrs. and Miss Luard, Col. and Mrs. C. Russell, Brown Col. and Mrs. Boylan Smith, Mrs. Macready, Commander Broadley, Commander Pitcairn-Jones, Lieut. Col. C. M. Stephen, Major Roberts, Capt. E. W. Morris, Capt. and Mrs. H. N. E. Walker, Major L. J. Lightfoot, Major A. R. Stamford, Lieut. and Mrs. C. H. Atkins, Lieut. R. Q. F. Johnston (A.D.C.) and Mrs. Johnston.

MORE WARSHIPS
COMING.

FOURTH DESTROYER
FLOTILLA UNDER ORDERS.

Malta, Dec. 17. The Fourth Destroyer Flotilla has been ordered to China and is now taking in munitions and stores.

The flotilla will probably leave this afternoon.

The cruiser *Caradoc* may accompany the destroyers.—Reuter.

The *Caradoc* is 4,120 tons, armed with five 6-inch and two 3-inch guns and four 3-pounders, and belongs to the 3rd Cruiser Squadron in the Mediterranean. She was recommissioned at Devonport on Feb. 16 this year. She is of similar type to the *Carlisle* of the China station.

The Fourth Destroyer Flotilla consists of the following: H. M. S. *Broke* (the leader).

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The *Broke* is of 1,750 tons, and has five 4.7-inch guns and one 3-inch gun, whilst the other destroyers are armed with four 4.7-inchers, and with the exception of the *Witch* (1,950) are of 1,325 tons.

In addition, we understand that the cruiser *Emerald* (7,550 tons, seven 6-inch, three 4-inch guns, four 3-pounders) from the East Indies squadron, is due about Christmas Day; whilst H.M.S. *Enterprise* (of similar tonnage and armament to the *Emerald*) which has been expected for some time, is arriving to-day, to join the China squadron.

END OF THE B.B.C.

NEW CORPORATION NOT TO
BE FETTERED.

Rugby, Dec. 17. The control of telephonic broadcasting in Britain passes at the end of the year from the British Broadcasting Company to a State controlled corporation.

At a dinner last night, the Premier and other prominent men paid tribute to the manner in which private enterprise had developed telephonic broadcasting in Britain during the past four years, making particular reference to the quality of entertainment provided, and the complete impartiality of the domestic news bulletins.

The Postmaster-General, referring to the corporation's powers, said the changed status would give the corporation more freedom. So far from it being fettered by legislature, it would be more independent, apart from restrictions which for the present were imposed upon broadcasting of editorial and of controversial matter of particular types. The conduct of business, technical arrangements and composition of programmes lay solely in the discretion of the governors of the new corporation, and this discretion he promised to maintain.

Mr. Reith, present managing director of the company, who will be Director General of the new corporation, said the world's chief broadcast system would be believed, eventually, to be so interrelated that barriers of nationality, language and geography would be overcome.—*British Wireless*.

HANKOW DEMANDS

RACE CLUB PROFITS TO BE
TAPPED.

Hankow, Dec. 17. The Political Bureau has demanded one fifth of the profits of the Hankow Race Club, which, as is well known, is not only a race club but also the chief foreign recreation and social amusement centre here.

It is situated in Chinese territory, a mile and a half outside the British concession, and is registered as a British company.

The Bureau also demands that the club books be audited by the Bureau, as are at present the books of all Chinese storekeepers in the native city.

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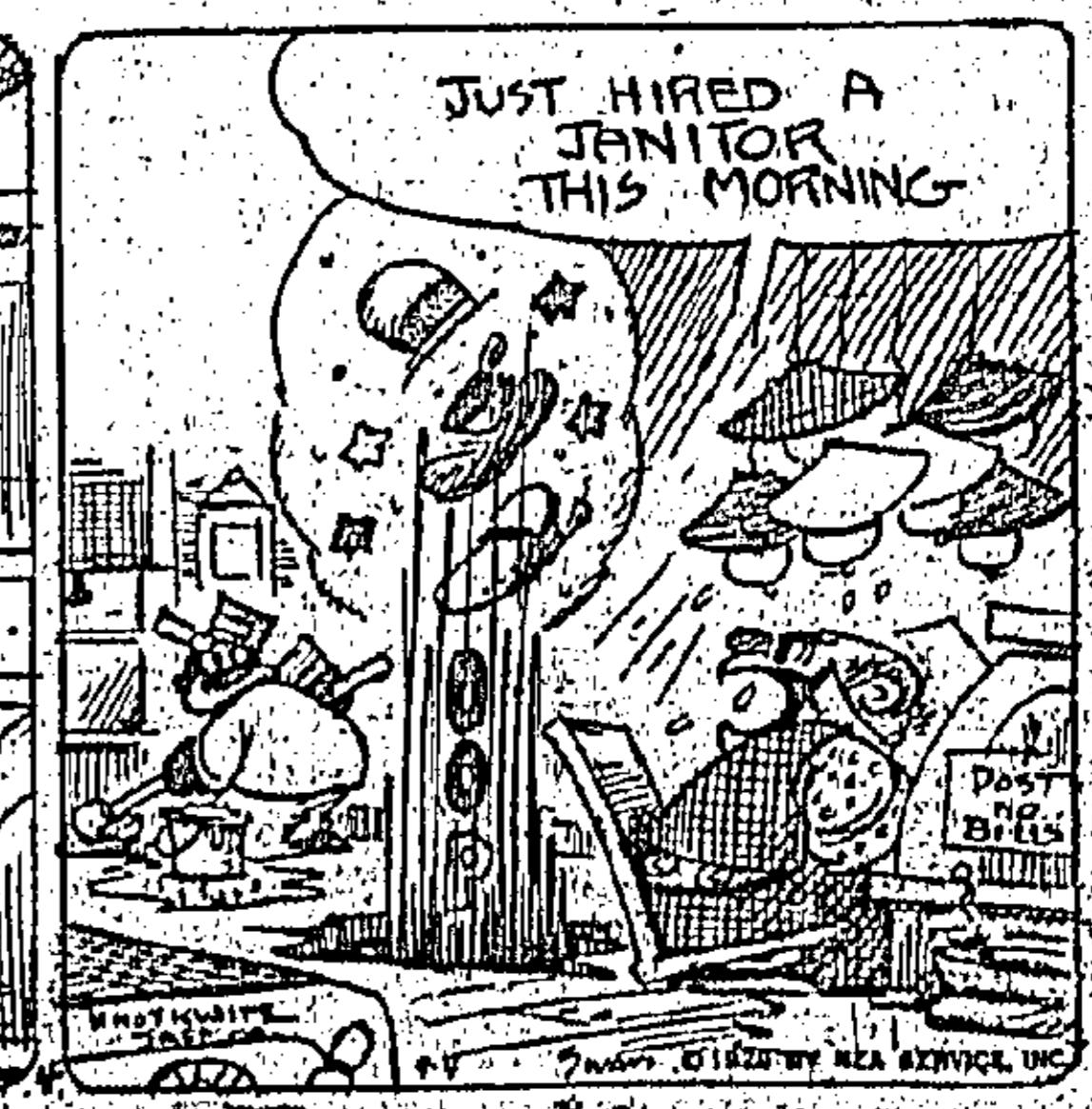
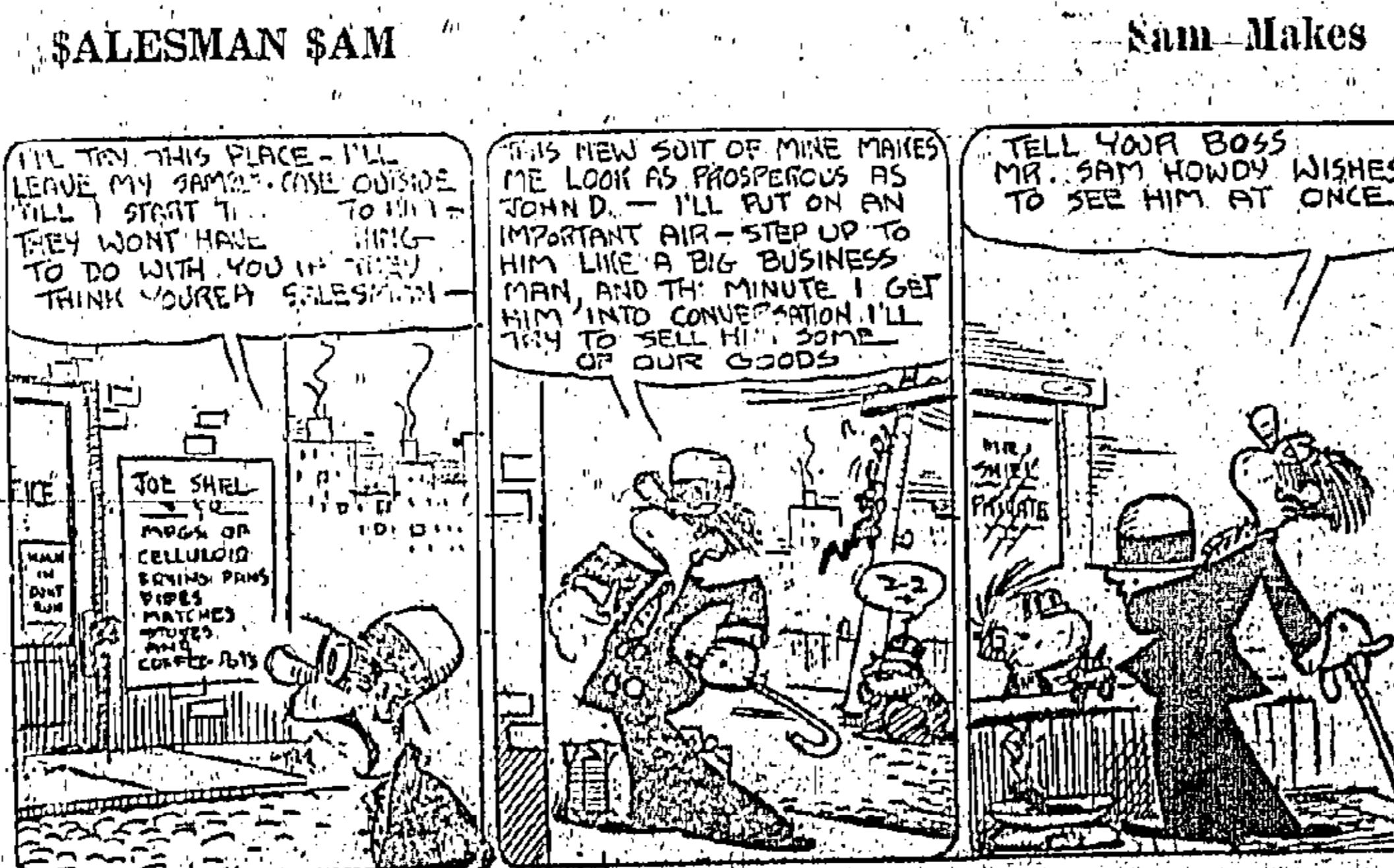
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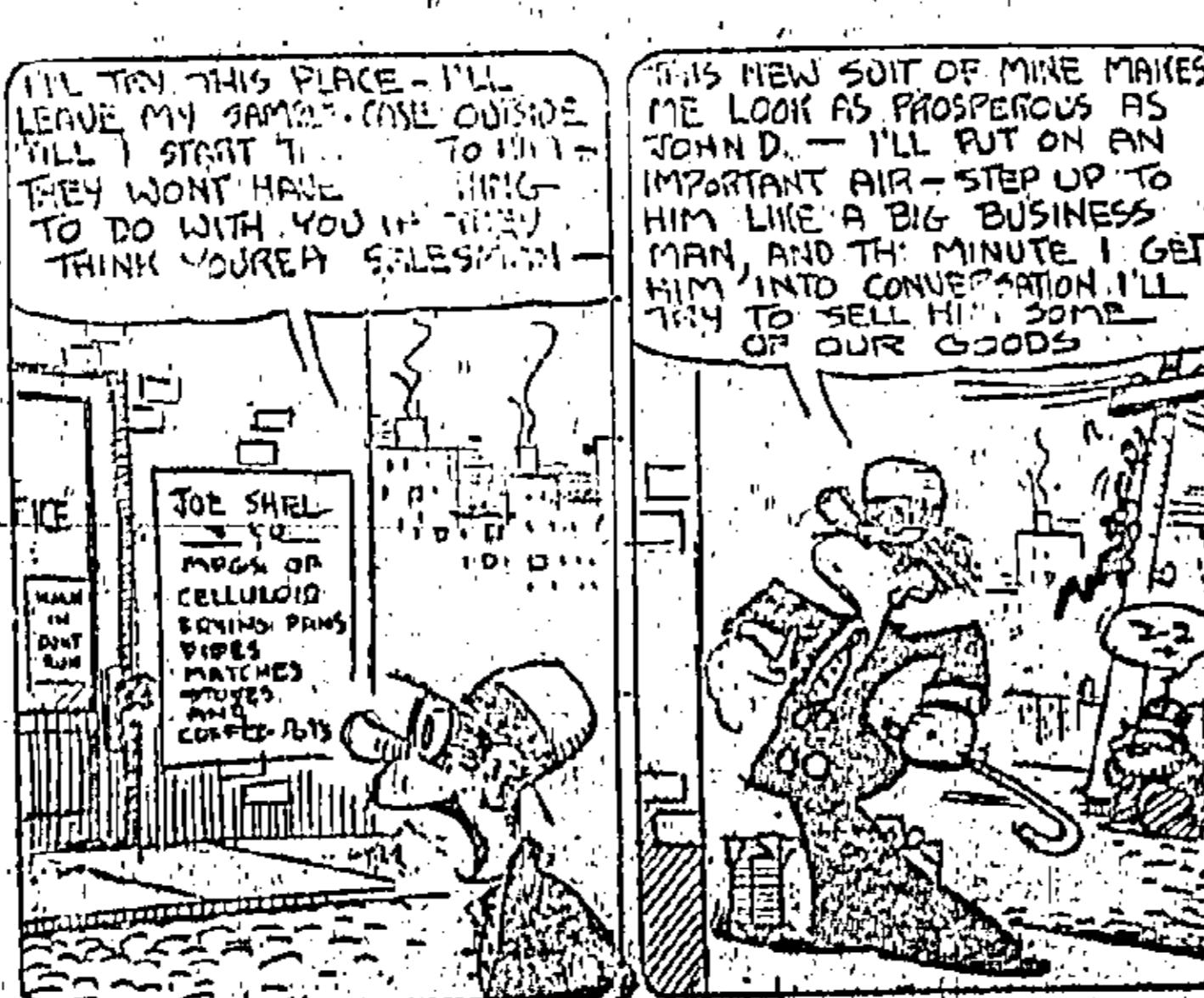


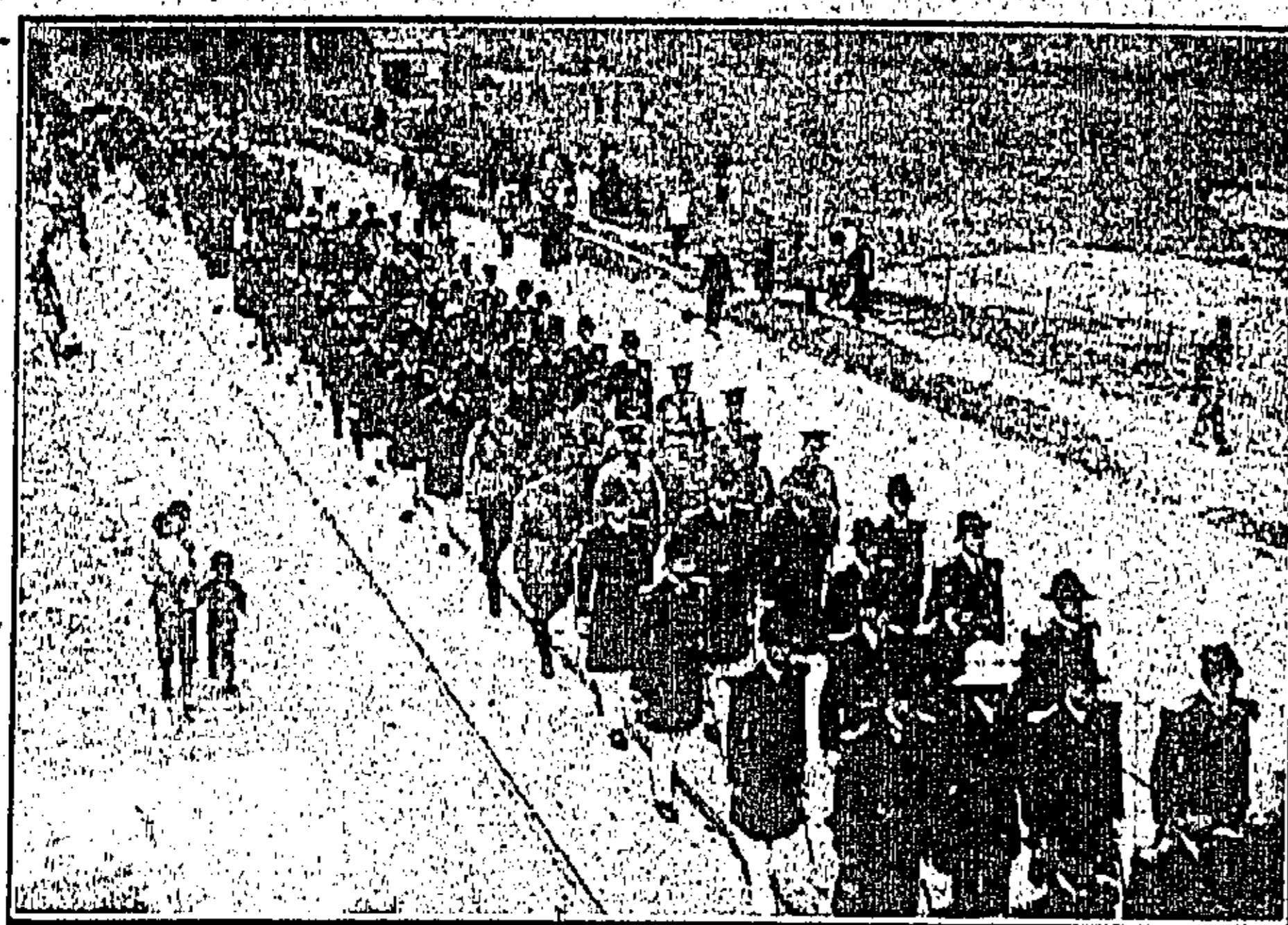
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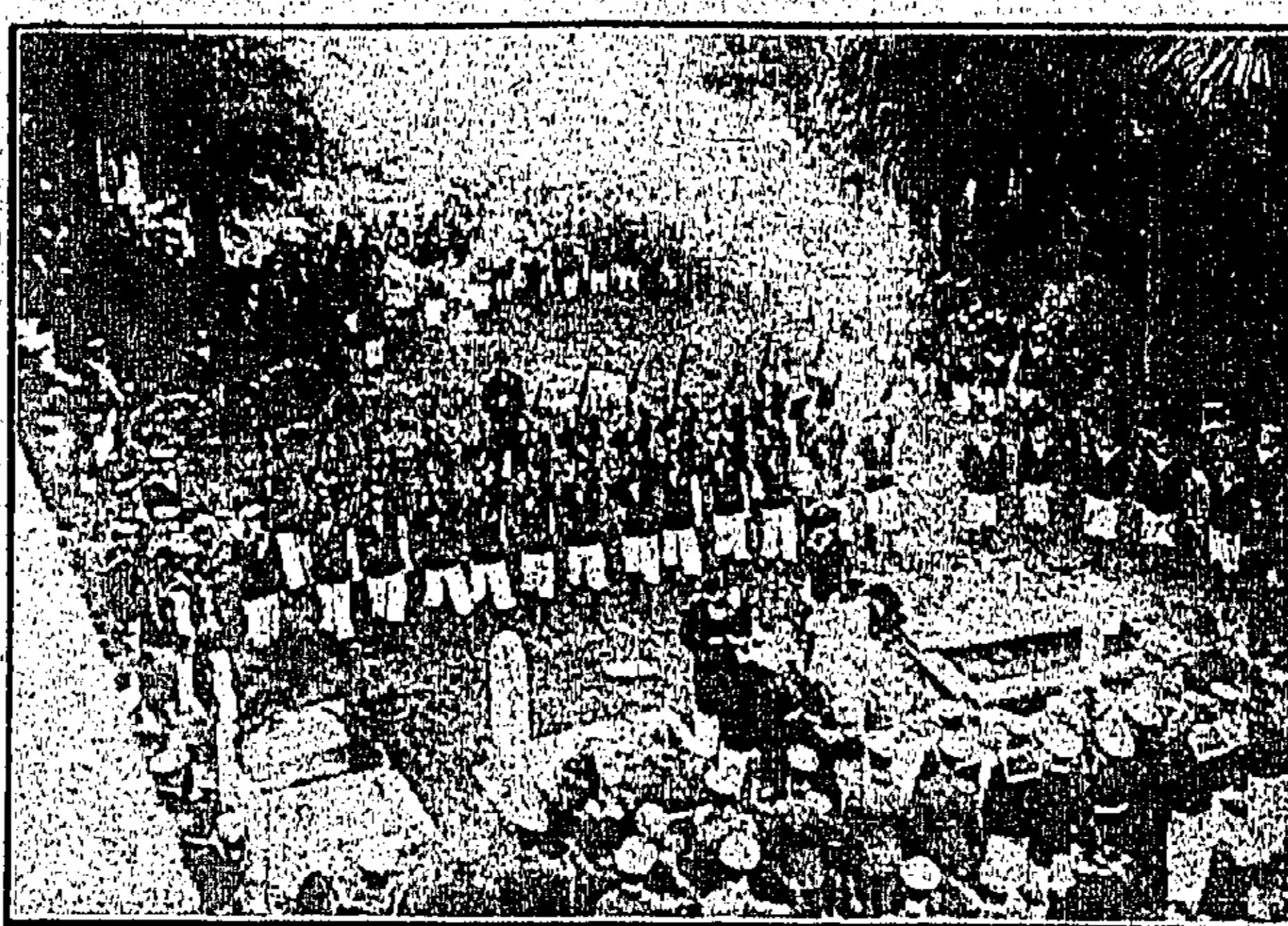
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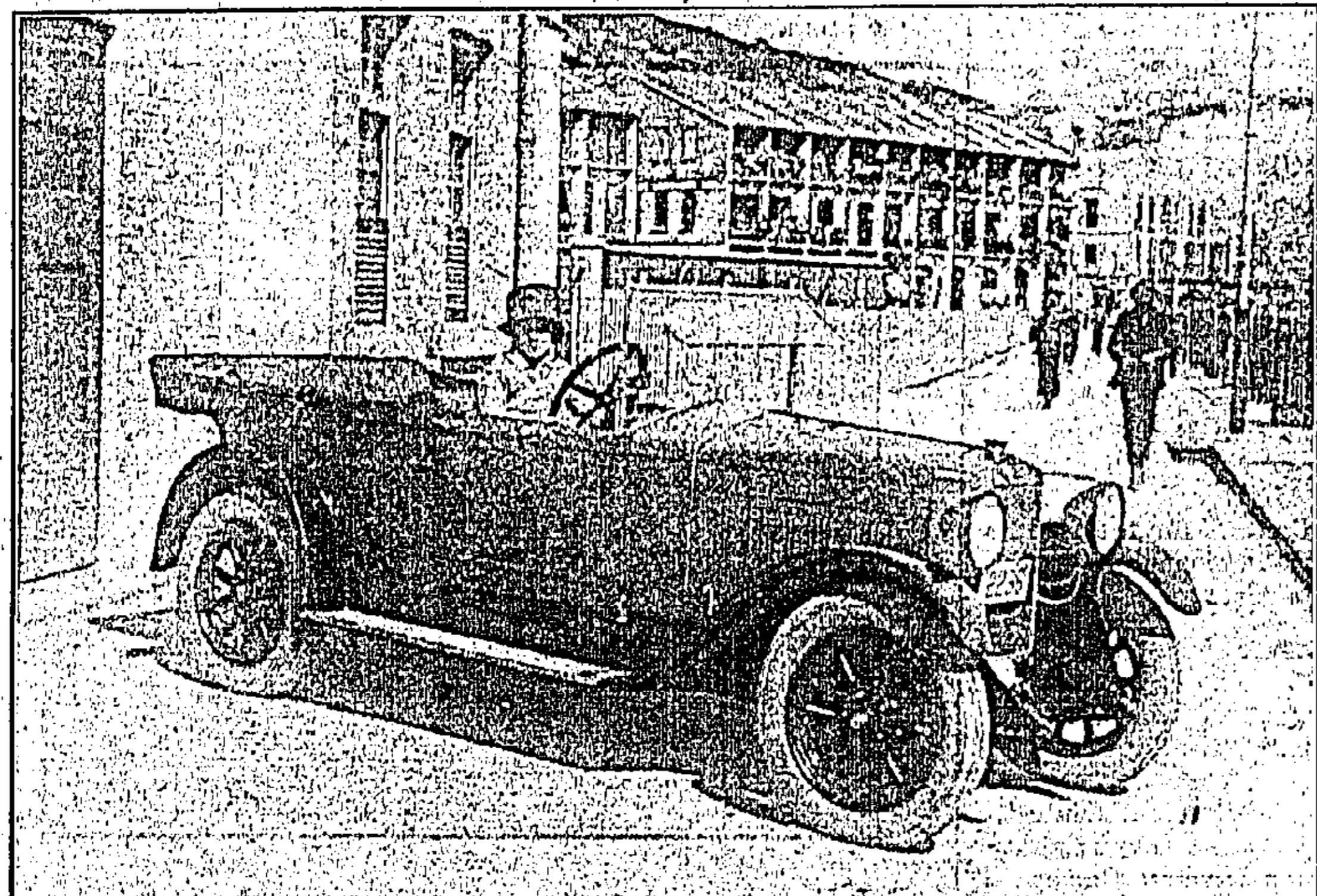




Part of the funeral procession of the late Lieut. M. A. Maude, R.N., the well-known flying officer, who met with a fatal accident whilst shooting on Lantau Island last Saturday. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



The last sad rites for the late Lieut. M. A. Maude, R.N., at Happy Valley, showing the sounding of the Last Post and the firing of a volley by naval party. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



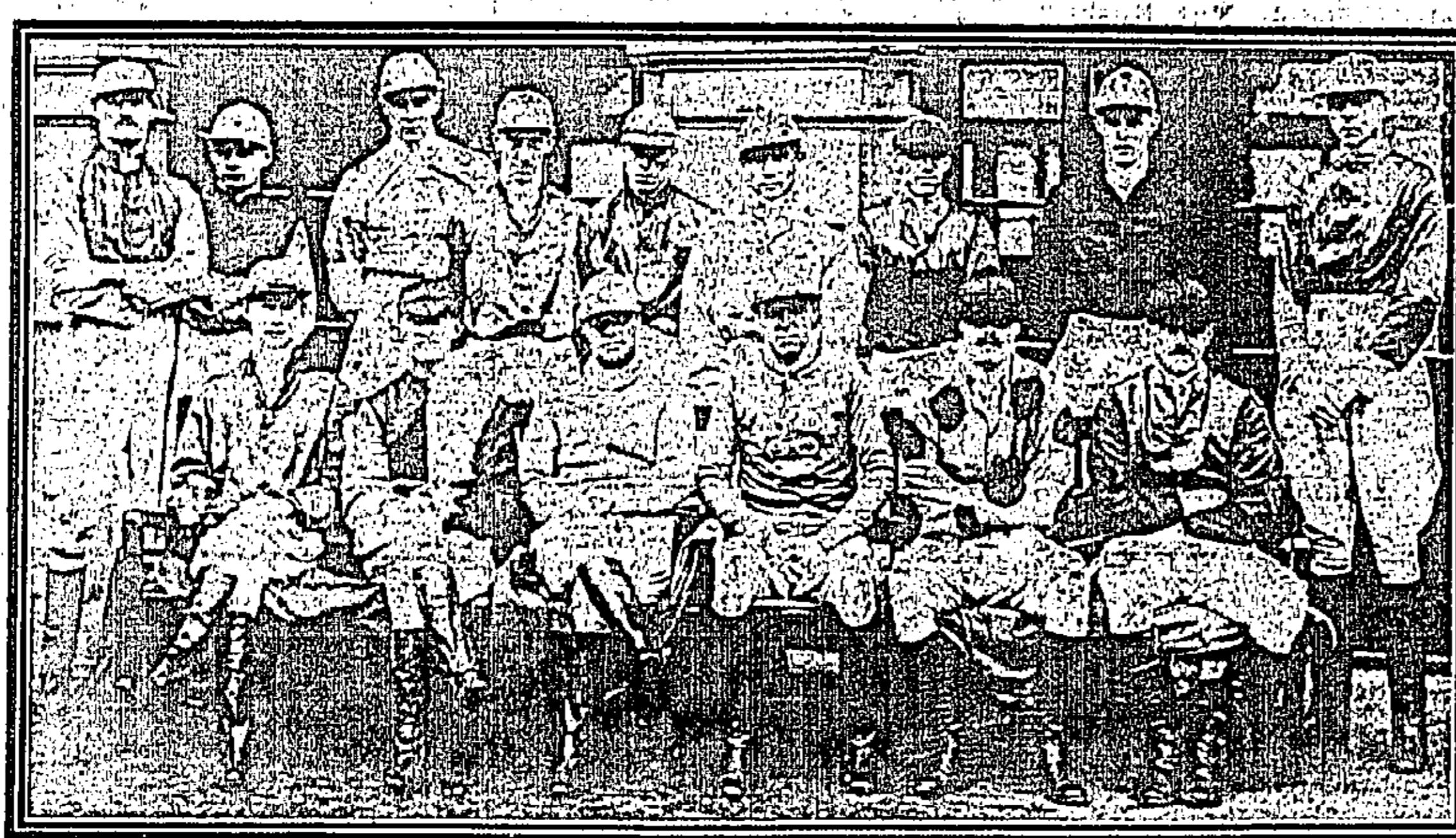
Little Miss Peggy Everest in the Fiat motor car which she won at the St. Vincent de Paul Society's recent raffle.



H. E. Senior Artur Tamagnini Barbosa, Governor of Macao, and Mme. Barbosa.



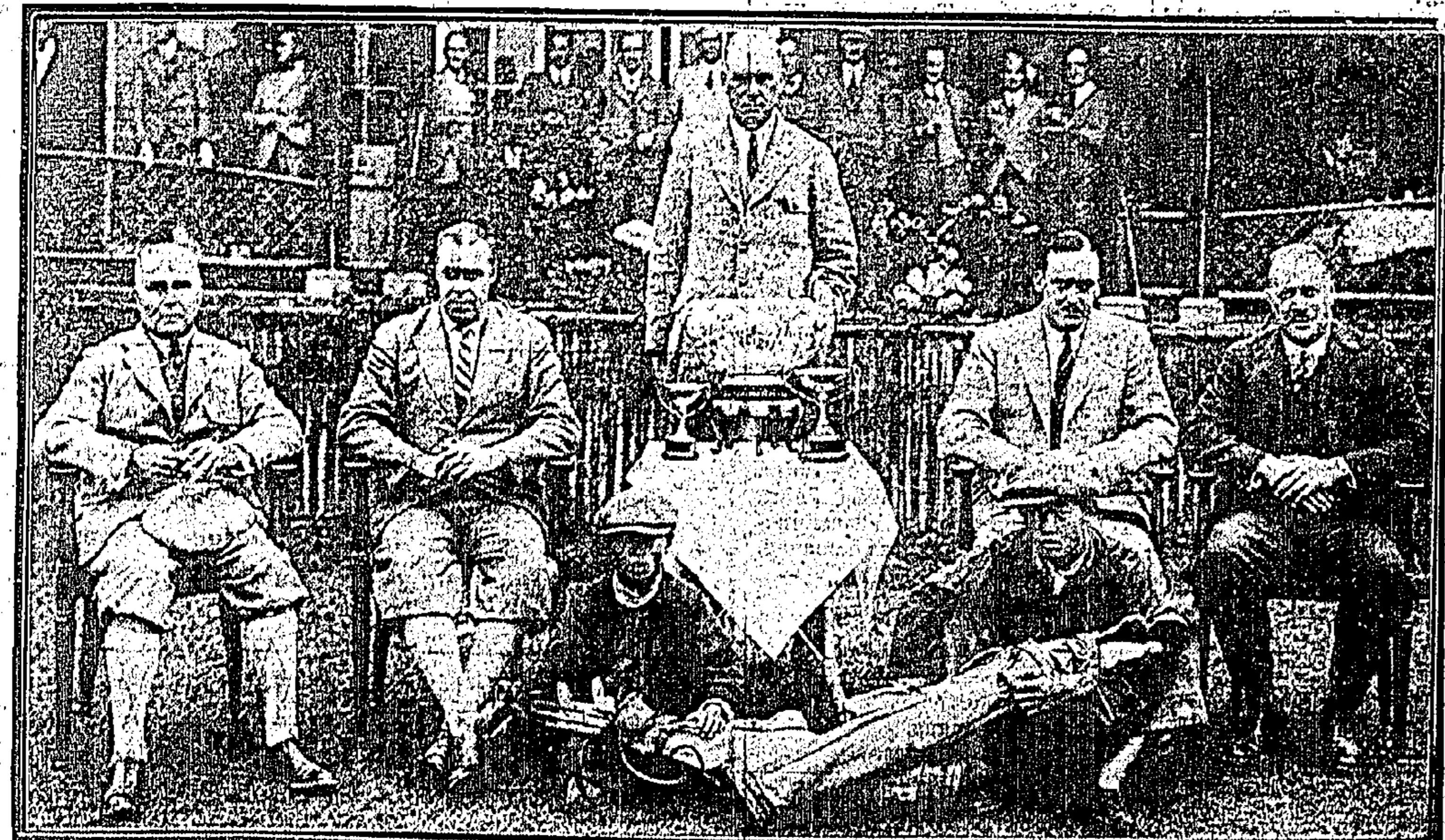
The Marquis of Clydesdale, who has been on a tour of the world but unfortunately could not fix up a bout in Hongkong.



Group taken on St. Andrew's Day before the Ewo Handicap, an annual race of almost hoary antiquity in Shanghai. Left to right, standing: Messrs. T. D. Gram, A. N. Dallas, R. D. Kent, D. M. Dunn, D. A. Langdon, G. D. Raeburn, W. G. Johns, C. L. Oliphant, W. J. Keswick. Seated: Messrs. A. Kidd, E. B. Clarke, A. J. P. Heard, B. D. F. Beith, G. J. Lyon and V. D. K. Craddock.



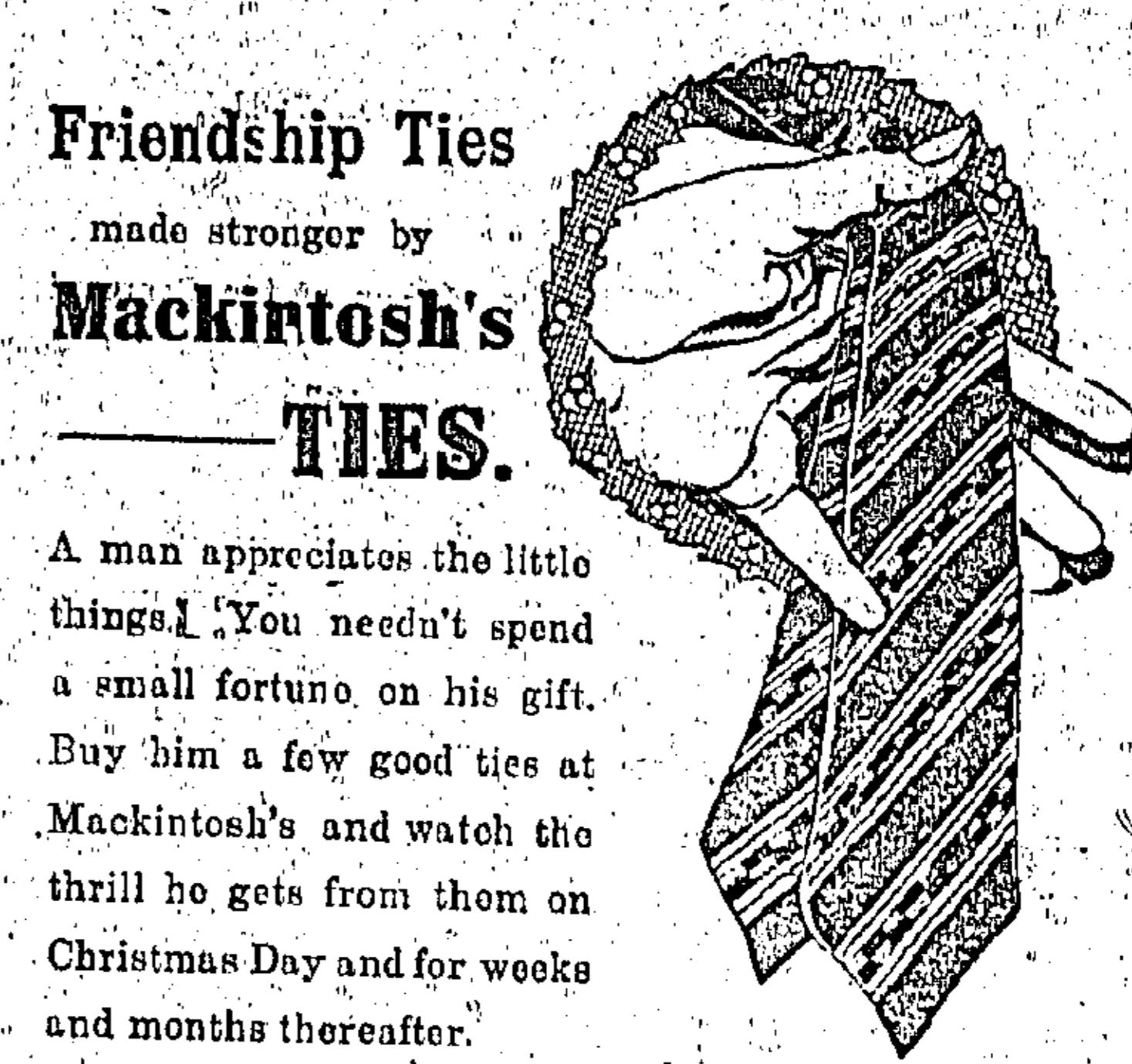
Mr. A. J. Brock, as Major-General Stanley in "The Pirates of Penzance." (Photo: Ming Yuen).



Sitting: Messrs. R. G. MacDonald (President of the Shanghai Golf Club), A. R. Blinks (runner-up in the Championship), M. W. Budd (Champion), and Capt. E. L. M. Barrett (Vice-President of the S. G. C.). Standing: Mr. A. Gray (Captain S. G. C.). Our group was taken at Kiangwan on the occasion of the final match in the S. G. C. Championship, which was won by Mr. Budd who in the second round returned a card of 67, a record for the course.



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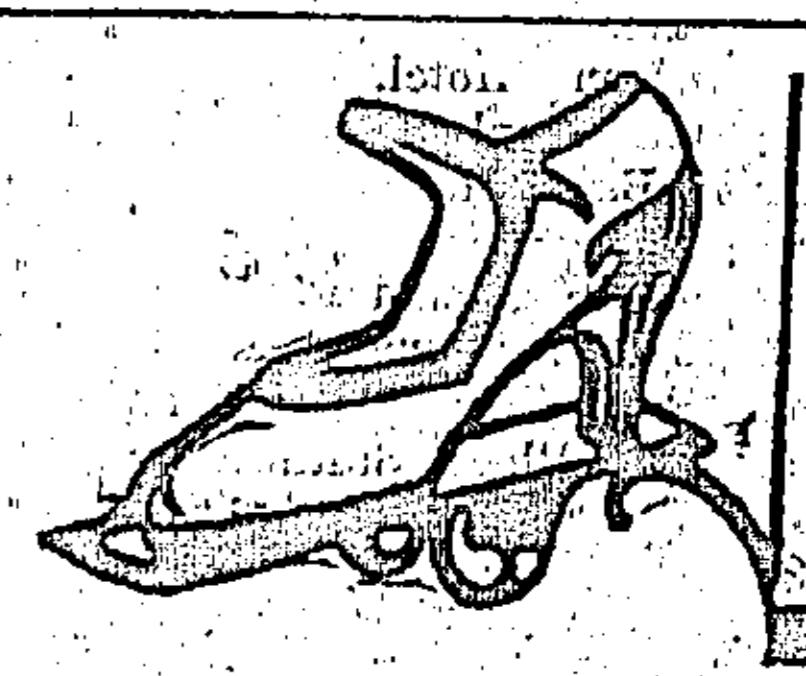
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JOHN FLEMING, C.A., Liquidator. Hongkong, Dec. 19, 1926.

OFFICIAL NOTICE.

PROPOSAL TO CHANGE A SHIPS NAME.

I, Chow Sik Cheung, of No. 48, Connaught Road West, Victoria, Hongkong, hereby give notice that in consequence of a change of ownership I have applied to the Board of Trade, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the ship Fook Sing of Hongkong Official number 152089 of gross tonnage 838.84 tons, register tonnage 527.52 tons, heretofore owned by Chow Wing Kan for the permission to change her name to Wing Hung and to have her registered in the new name at the Port of Hongkong as owned by the Kwong On Company Limited.

Any objections to the proposed change of name must be sent to the Registrar of Shipping at Hongkong within seven days of the appearance of this advertisement.

(sgd.) CHOW SIK CHEUNG.

Dated at Hongkong, this 17th day of December, 1926.

CHINESE CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

The offices and stations of the Chinese Maritime Customs for Kowloon and District will be closed to public business on the 22nd, 25th, 27th December, 1926, and 1st and 2nd January, 1927.

F. HAYLEY BELL, Commissioner of Chinese Customs, Kowloon and District.

Office of Chinese Maritime Customs for Kowloon and District, York Buildings.

Hongkong, 17th Dec., 1926.

THE INTERNATIONAL RACE AND RECREATION CLUB OF MACAO LIMITED.

M A C A O .

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Inaugural Race Meeting for China ponies of this Club will take place at Macao on the 6th February, 1927, next, if weather permits. There will be only one event at this Meeting, "The Trial Stakes."

The first annual Spring Meeting for China ponies is scheduled to take place on the 16th, 17th, 18th and 24th April, 1927. The Champion Sweepstakes will be run on the 16th April, the 3rd day of the Meeting.

By Order,

S. W. CHENG, Secretary.

THE CHIEF AND PETTY OFFICERS OF THE ROYAL NAVY CHINA SQUADRON.

Will hold their Annual Dinner and ball

on FRIDAY, THE 24TH DECEMBER, 1926.

THE CITY HALL Commencing at 8.15 p.m., Dancing until 2 a.m.

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DISTRICT OFFICE SOUTH.

NEW TERRITORIES,
HONGKONG.

In the matter of the Fuk Tin Tong. To All to Whom it may concern:

Whereas the following properties situate in the New Territories and registered as Lots Nos. 939, 959, 964, 965, 968, 969, 970, 972, 974, 1104, 1105, 1108, 1114, 1116, 1119, 1120, 1121, 1123, 1124, 1125, 1126, 1127, 1131, 1132, 1134, 1137, 1153 and 1177, in District No. 4 at Cheung Sha Wan and 1177, in District No. 4 at Cheung Sha Wan in the New Territories, Colony of Hongkong, are the properties of the Fuk Tin Tong and Whereas it is the intention of the Manager of the said Fuk Tin Tong to distribute the said properties and certain funds belonging to the Tong which are now in the possession of the Manager among the persons entitled thereto. NOTICE is hereby given that all persons having any claim against or interests in the above properties or funds or in the said Fuk Tin Tong must forward the same in writing to the District Officer South not later than Friday, the 31st day of December, 1926, after which date no claim or demand will be entertained and the District Officer will sanction the distribution of the properties and funds of the said Fuk Tin Tong among the claimants whose claims have been duly approved.

(W. SCHOFIELD,
District Officer; South.
Dated this 30th day of November, 1926.)

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD., will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, on Monday the 3rd day of January, 1927, at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon when the Subjoined Resolution will be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution, viz.—

"That the regulations contained in the printed document submitted to the Meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof be approved and adopted as the Articles of Association of the Company in substitution for and to the exclusion of all existing Articles thereof."

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY

ALSO GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the same place on Thursday, the 20th day of January, 1927, at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings of the above-mentioned meeting and of confirming, if thought fit, a Special Resolution the above mentioned Resolution.

A copy of the proposed new Articles of Association of the Company with the said alterations, amendments and differences between the existing and new Articles incorporated and indicated in red ink can be seen during usual business hours at the Registered Office of the Company aforesaid.

W. SCHOFIELD,
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The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

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A Large Quantity of Miscellaneous Goods comprising:

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions from the Executor of

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on TUESDAY, the 21st December,

at 9.15 p.m. at the

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HELPING THE DOCTOR.

WHAT IS REVEALED BY VOICE RECORD.

The greatest advances in modern medicine, says the *Graphic*, have been along lines of early and accurate diagnosis; once the disease condition is recognized and isolated it can be treated, and with early treatment there is definite hope of complete recovery.

An interesting article adds: In general medicine the physician to-day is no longer dependent on his own powers of observation in making a diagnosis, but can call in specialized help, such as the pathologist, the bacteriologist, and the radiographer, whose science have reached a marvellous degree of accuracy.

In neurology—the science of the nervous system—early diagnosis and treatment are of paramount importance, for once degeneration of a nerve have taken place within the central nervous system—that is, the brain and spinal cord—regeneration cannot occur, and though the sufferer may learn to accommodate himself to the injury, the organic defect cannot be made good.

During the last 20 years or so neurology has made great strides both in the recognition of diseases in their early stages and their causative factors, and the outlook has changed accordingly from one of hopelessness to that of certain knowledge that at least something can be done to ameliorate the condition.

Speech Observation.

The critical observation of the components of speech should be helpful in early diagnosis, as this faculty of speech is undoubtedly one of the most recently evolved combinations of nerve and muscle.

At the West End Hospital for Nervous Diseases, the method of observation, used is as follows: The speech record is taken by the patient speaking into a flexible mouthpiece, which is connected by a wide-bore rubber tube to a loose diaphragm linked to a light lever, so that any movement of the diaphragm is magnified.

The oscillations thus obtained trace a line on the surface of smoked paper around a revolving drum; the paper is removed and varnished and the tracing can then be studied and subjected to microscopic examination and measurement.

The nature of the diaphragm is such that it fulfils a dual purpose: (1) of recording the actual speech vibrations—"intonation"; (2) by not being taut, it allows the explosive character of

"EVIL RAYS."

SIMPLER EXPLANATION SUGGESTED.

It was reported that the Rev. George Glandfield, a Wesleyan minister, of Brightlingsea, Essex, had cured many people by removing from their homes furniture, an eiderdown, and other articles which, according to his theory, emitted "evil rays."

While admitting the possibility and even likelihood of the cures performed by the Rev. George Glandfield, it is very difficult to accept his explanation of the way in which they are brought, says a medical writer.

That we know nothing about those mysterious rays does not, of course, prove that they do not exist; but as the cures seem susceptible of other explanations, which conform to scientific facts already within our knowledge, it would be well to consider these before pinning our faith to the rays.

In the first place, there is the element of suggestion exercised by a powerful and sympathetic personality. That may account for a great deal, but probably not for all, of Glandfield's successes.

Another factor which in this connection must be given considerable weight is what is known as the influence of foreign proteins. These substances, though perfectly harmless to the majority, have been proved to exercise a very baneful influence upon the few.

May be Eggs and Feathers.

The list includes a variety of substances which seem to have nothing in common except their capacity to provoke unpleasant and even serious symptoms in human beings. Such are eggs, feathers, horsehair, cats' fur, the pollen of certain flowers, certain drugs, and so on.

These substances are known to be capable of producing asthma in the predisposed, and, short of asthma, which is a violent ebullition, they and their congeners are often the unsuspected causes of all kinds of vague and ill-defined symptoms which render the lives of the sufferers a constantly recurring misery. Eiderdowns and cushions are common sources of offence in this respect.

aspirates and so forth to be clearly marked on the tracing.

The simplest speech sounds require accurate co-ordination of the muscles of the larynx, mouth and respiratory system. Often the mere inspection of the record will be sufficient to form a diagnosis; the diagram shows the characteristic changes that occur.

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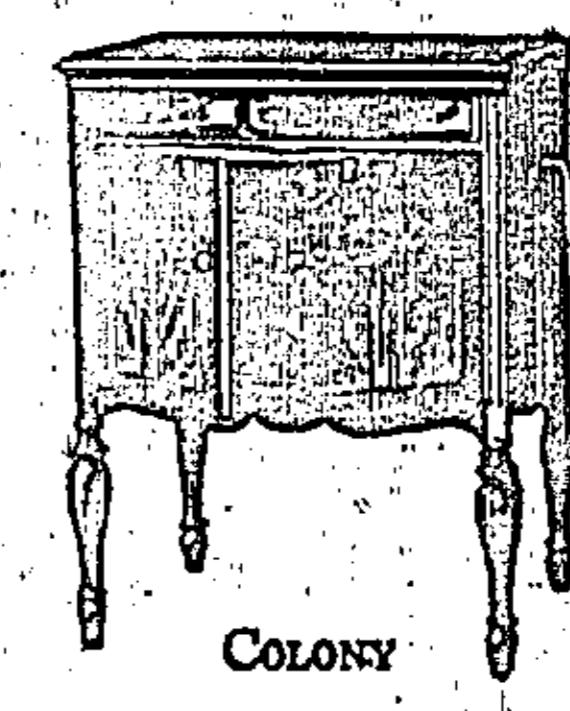
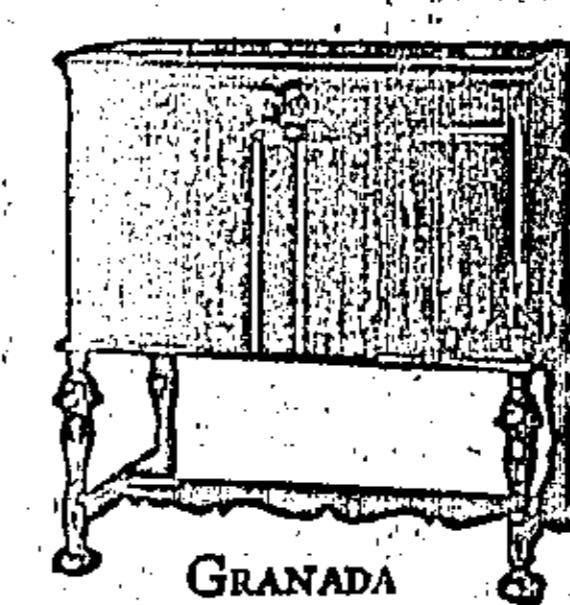
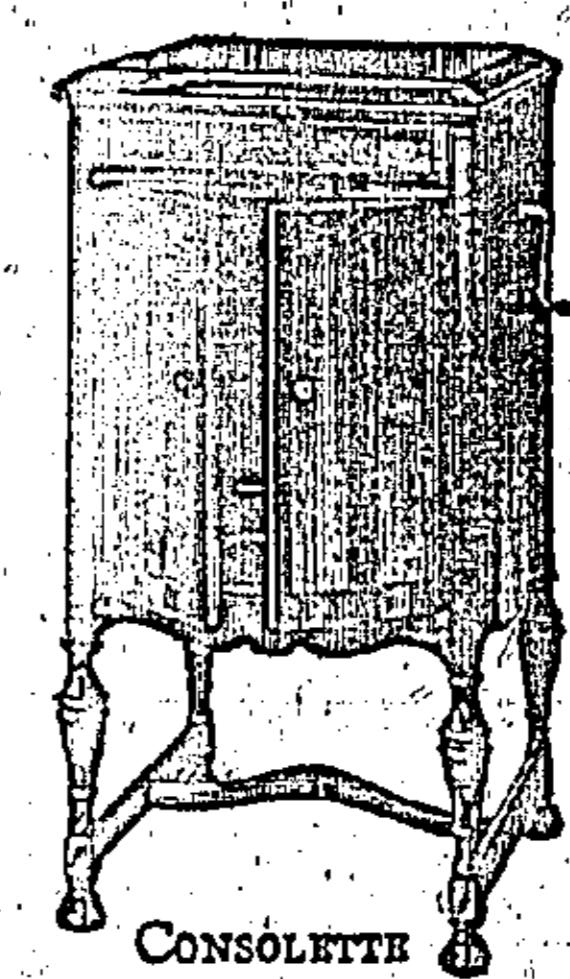
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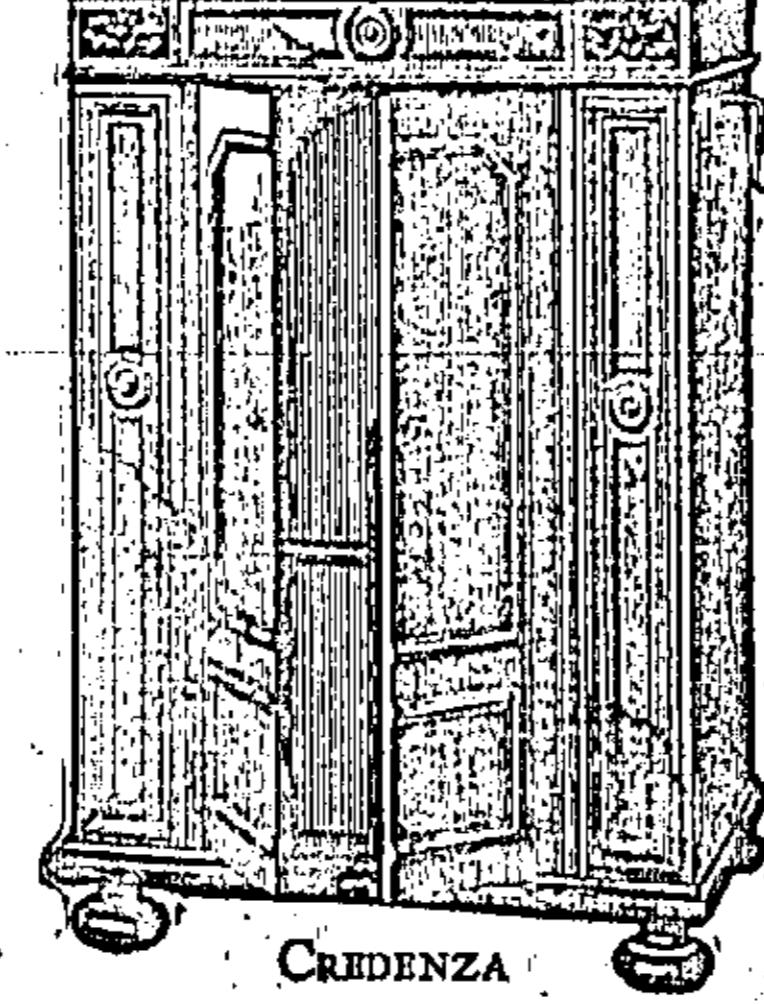
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TROTSKY'S CREED.

A WORLD REVOLUTION NECESSARY.

The text of Trotsky's speech at the Pan-Russian Communist Party Conference is now published. Re-

ferring to the Opposition, Trotsky declared, according to the Tass Agency, that the differences between the Opposition and the Communist Party were as follows:

The Opposition considered the progress of the industrialisation of the U.S.S.R. too slow, and attached considerable importance to the process of differentiation

amongst the peasantry, urging that differentiation amongst the peasantry rendered necessary a new taxation policy, having regard to the different classes of peasants.

In regard to wages, the Opposition believed that higher wages must not depend on the increased productivity of labour, but on the contrary, must be a preliminary

condition to a higher rate of productivity.

Trotsky declared that the victory of Socialism in the U.S.S.R. could only be achieved in conjunction with the victorious revolution of the European proletariat, and that there were no theoretical or political reasons to warrant the belief that it would be easier for the Rus-

sian proletariat to build up Socialism than it would be for the European proletariat to take over the reins of power.

Kamoneff declared that the Opposition intended to uphold its views in the future. Nevertheless, it considered it its duty to submit to party discipline.

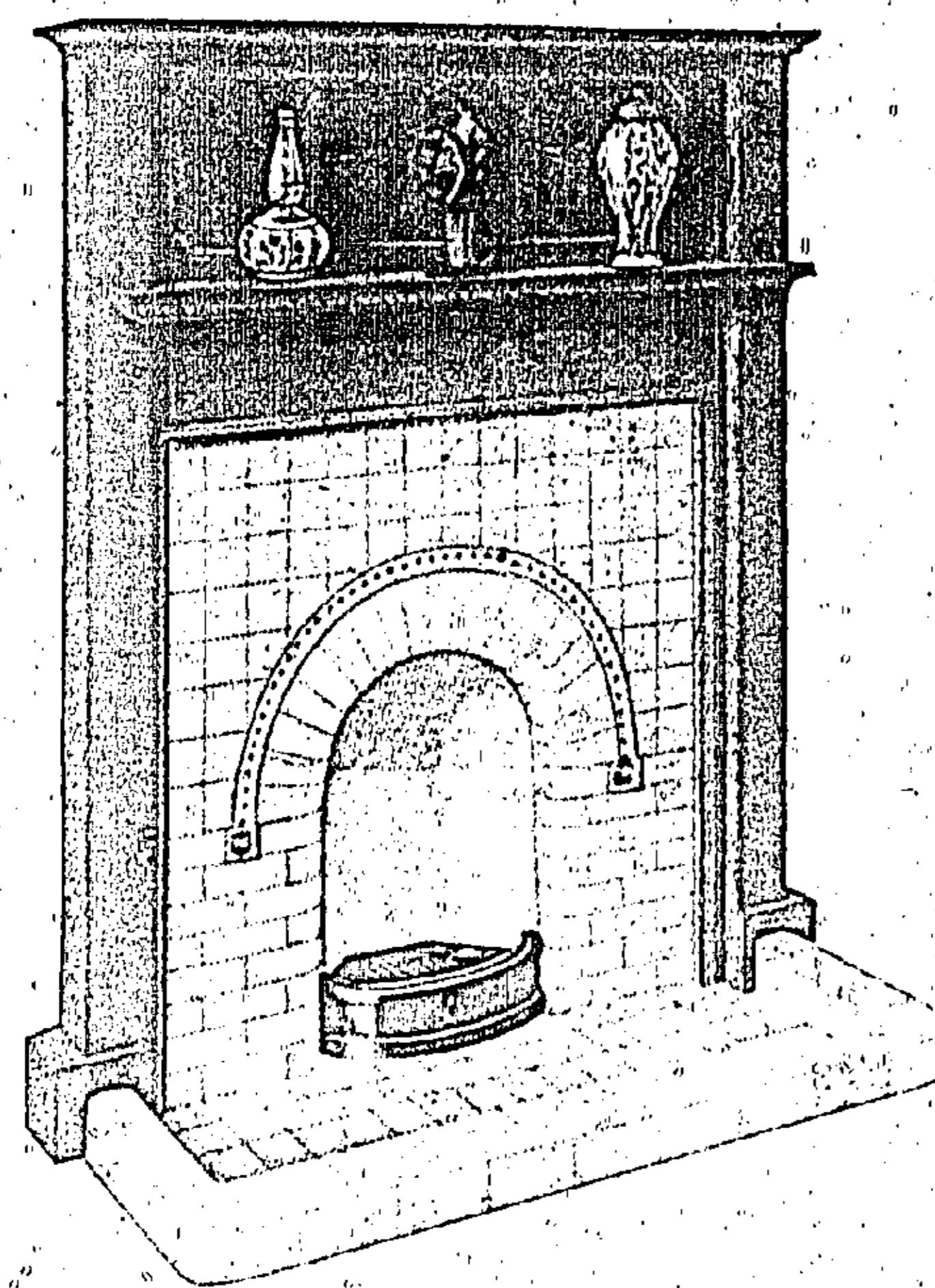
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"A plan for the removal of restrictions upon European trade," signed by the leading bankers and outstanding representatives of industry throughout Europe (excluding Russia), as well as by a number of American signatories, including Mr. J. P. Morgan, was issued recently.

The British signatories include the heads of the great banks, including Mr. Montagu Norman (the Governor of the Bank of England), and leaders of industry, including the heads of Vickers, Weir & Co., Arthur Balfour and Co., Rylands Brothers, Tootal Broadhurst Lee Co., the President of the Textile Institute, Col. Vernon Willey (last year's president of the Federation of British Industries), and Sir Percy Woodhouse (chairman of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce).

The declaration reads as follows:

We desire, as business men, to draw attention to certain grave and disquieting conditions which, in our judgment, are regarding the return to prosperity.

It is difficult to view without dismay the extent to which tariff barriers, special licences, and prohibitions since the war have been allowed to interfere with international trade and to prevent it from flowing in its natural channels. At no period in recent history has freedom from such restrictions been more needed to enable traders to adapt themselves to new and difficult conditions. And at no period have impediments to trading been more perilously multiplied without a true appreciation of the economic consequences involved.

The break-up of great political units in Europe dealt a heavy blow to international trade. Across large areas, in which the inhabitants had been allowed to exchange their products freely, a number of new frontiers were erected and jealously guarded by Customs barriers. Old markets disappeared. Racial animosities were permitted to divide communities whose interests were inseparably connected. The situation is not unlike that which would be created if a confederation of States were to dissolve the ties which bind them, and to proceed to penalise and hamper, instead of encouraging each other's trade. Few will doubt that under such conditions the prosperity of such a country would rapidly decline.

To mark and defend these new frontiers in Europe, licences, tariffs, and prohibitions were imposed, with results which experience shows already to have been unfortunate for all concerned. One State lost its supplies of cheap food, another its supplies of cheap manufactures. Industries suffered for want of coal, factories for want of raw materials. Behind the Customs barriers new local industries were started, with no real economic foundation, which could only be kept alive in the face of competition by raising the barriers higher still. Railway rates, dictated by political consideration, have made transit and freights difficult and costly. Prices have risen, artificial dearth has been created. Production as a whole has been diminished. Credit has contracted and currencies have depreciated. Too many States, in pursuit of false ideals of national interests, have imperilled their own welfare and lost sight of the common interests of the world by basing their commercial relations on the economic folly which treats all trading as a form of war.

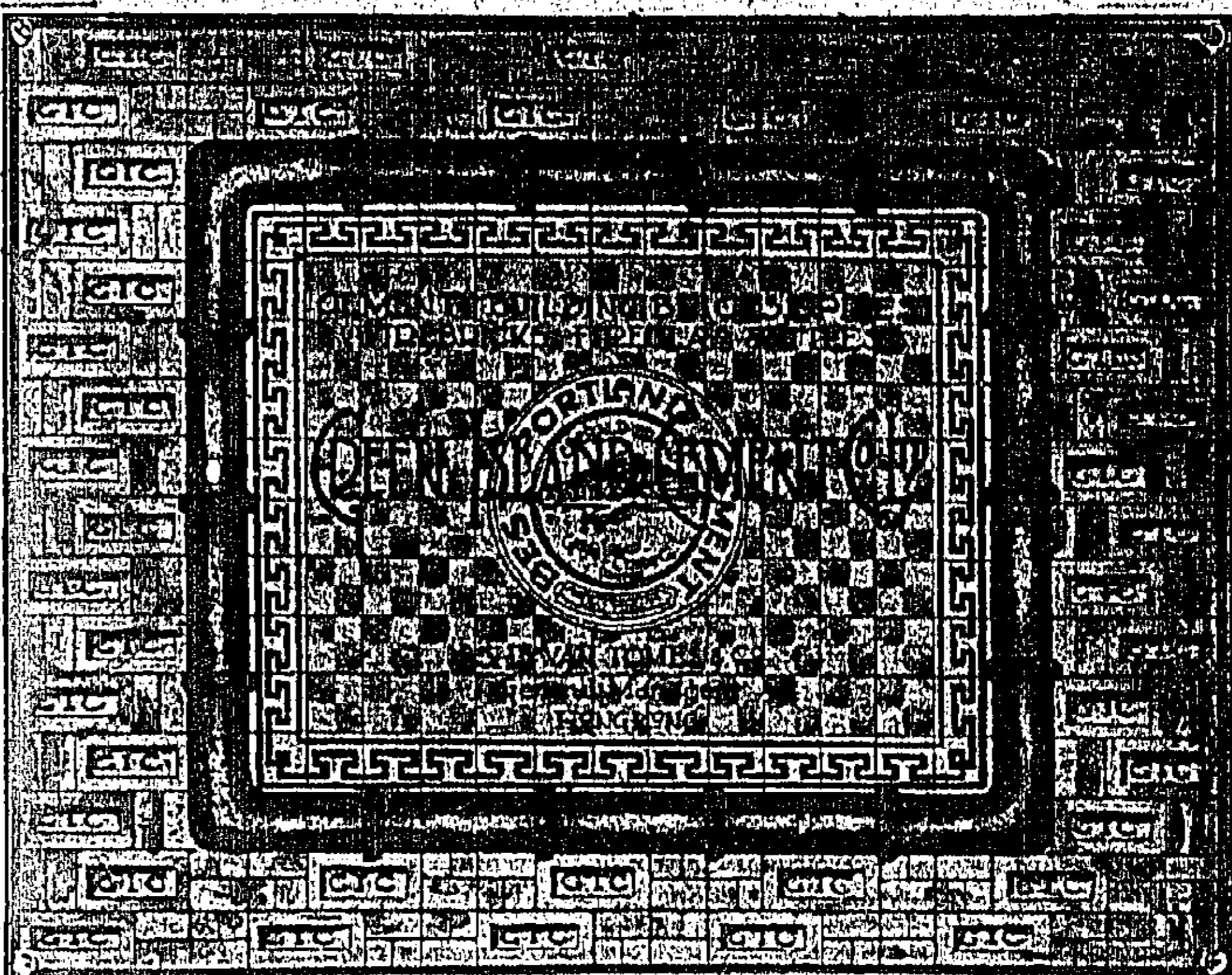
The Folly of Restricting Imports.

There can be no recovery in Europe till politicians in all territories, old and new, realise that trade is not war but a process of exchange, that in time of peace our neighbours are our customers, and that their prosperity is a condition of our own well-being. If we check their dealings, their power to pay their debts diminishes, and their power to purchase our goods is reduced. Restricted imports involve restricted exports, and no nation can afford to lose its export trade. Dependent as we all are upon imports and exports, and upon the processes of international exchange, we cannot view without grave concern a policy which means the impoverishment of Europe.

Happily there are signs that opinion in all countries is awakening at last to the dangers ahead. The League of Nations and the International Chamber of Commerce

have been labouring to reduce to a minimum all formalities, prohibitions, and restrictions, to remove inequalities of treatment in other matters than tariffs, to facilitate the transport of passengers and goods. In some countries powerful voices are pleading for the suspension of tariffs altogether. Others have suggested the conclusion for long periods of commercial agreements embodying in every case the most-favoured-nation clause. Some States have recognised in recent treaties the necessity of freeing trade from the restrictions which depress it. And experience is slowly teaching others that the breaking-down of the economic barriers between them may prove the surest remedy for the stagnation which exists.

On the valuable political results which might flow from such a policy, from the substitution of good-will for ill-will, of co-operation for exclusiveness, we will not dwell. But we wish to place on record our conviction that the establishment of economic freedom is the best hope of restoring the commerce and the credit of the world.



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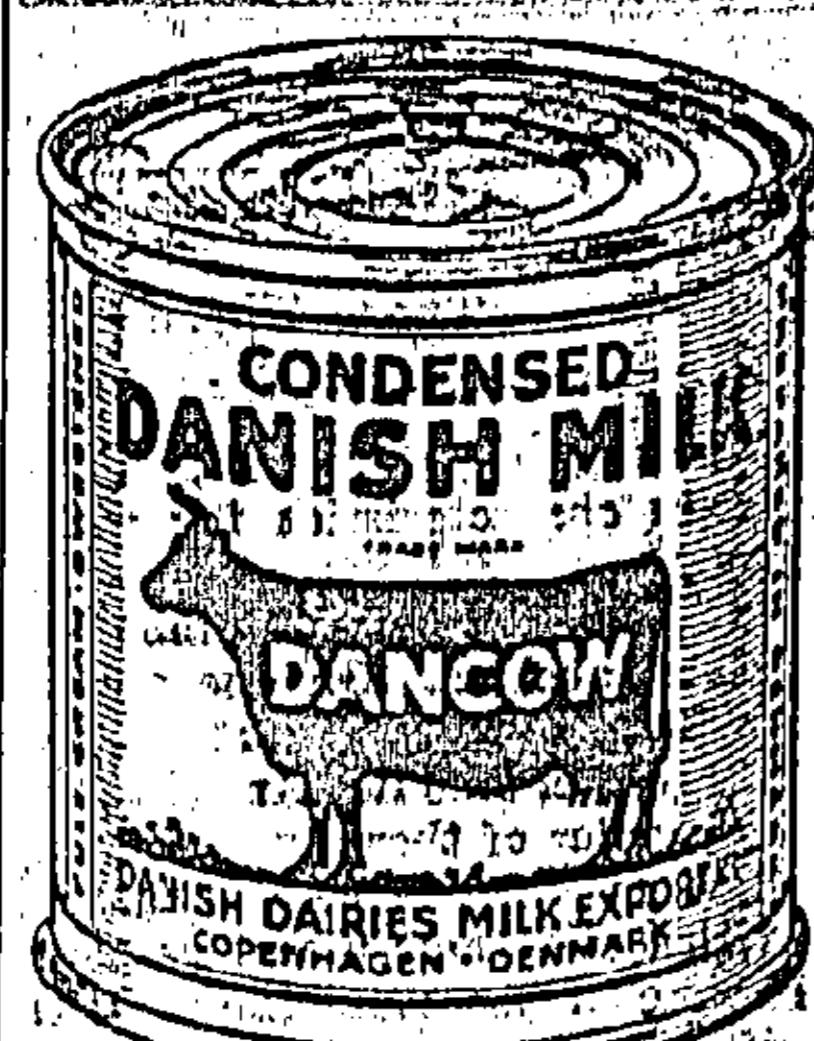
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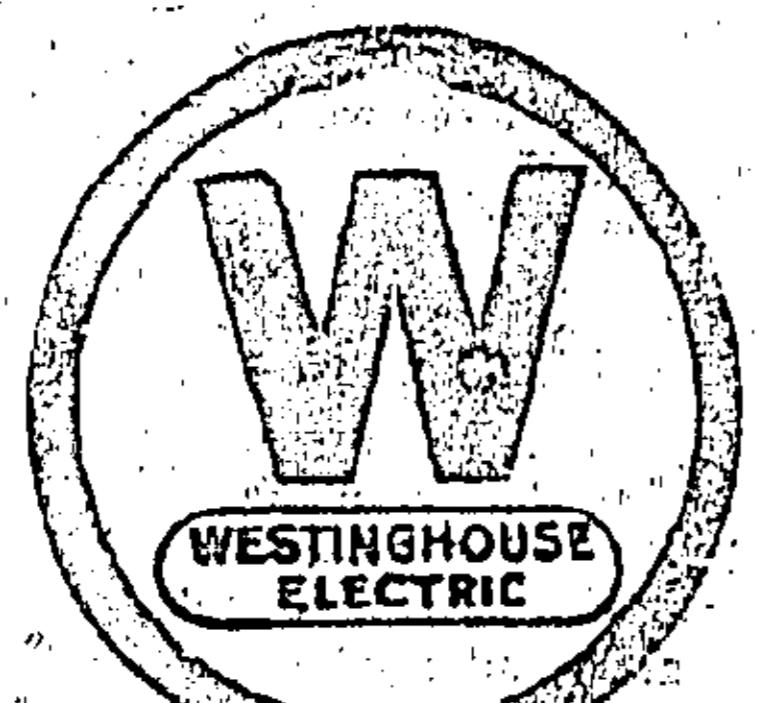
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OBITUARY.

DR. DRESELHUYS.

The Hague, Dec. 17.
The death is announced of Dr. Dreselhuys, the leader of the Dutch Liberals.—Reuters.

Mr. Mok Lai-chi.

Mr. Mok Lai-chi has passed away at his residence, 2 Bridges Street, after a short illness.

Mr. Mok was born on the 10th January, 1893. He was educated at a private school and afterwards at the Government Central School (now known as Queen's College). After graduating with honours at the age 18, he was monitor for about a year. For the next few years he was employed at the Royal Observatory, the Police Court, and the Registrar General's Office. In the year 1893, he started the well-known Morrison English School, teaching English and Pitman Shorthand. This School has been kept for over 33 years and is still in existence. It was the pioneer of the numerous private schools that have sprung up since that time.

The funeral will take place tomorrow, Sunday, at 3 p.m.

R. M. L. writes.—Mr. Mok was an indefatigable worker. Besides his educational work, he was of great service to the community at large. He was for many years Hon. Sec. to the original Y.M.C.A. (known as Pui To Shu Shut), and devoted all his leisure time to the American Board Mission, being a deacon and also superintendent of a Sunday School. In 1907, he founded the Pentecostal Mission of which he was the Pastor. In 1908, he published the "Pentecostal Truths," a free paper distributed all over China and other places. For twenty years, he had been using all his spare time in preaching the Christian Gospel in Hongkong and elsewhere, quietly and unassumingly.

The Police Department will feel a distinct loss in the passing away of an expert in certain branches of criminology. The Chinese Tenants' Protective Association will lose in him an ex-president and an enthusiastic supporter. Thousands of his students and converts will mourn the loss of a teacher and leader who sacrificed all his time, money and energy in proclaiming and explaining the truth of his convictions. He has passed away, but his work and memory will last forever in the hearts and minds of all those who had been benefited by his teaching and influenced by his example.

SHROFF INTIMIDATED.

KOWLOON HOSPITAL
EMPLOYEE THREATENED.

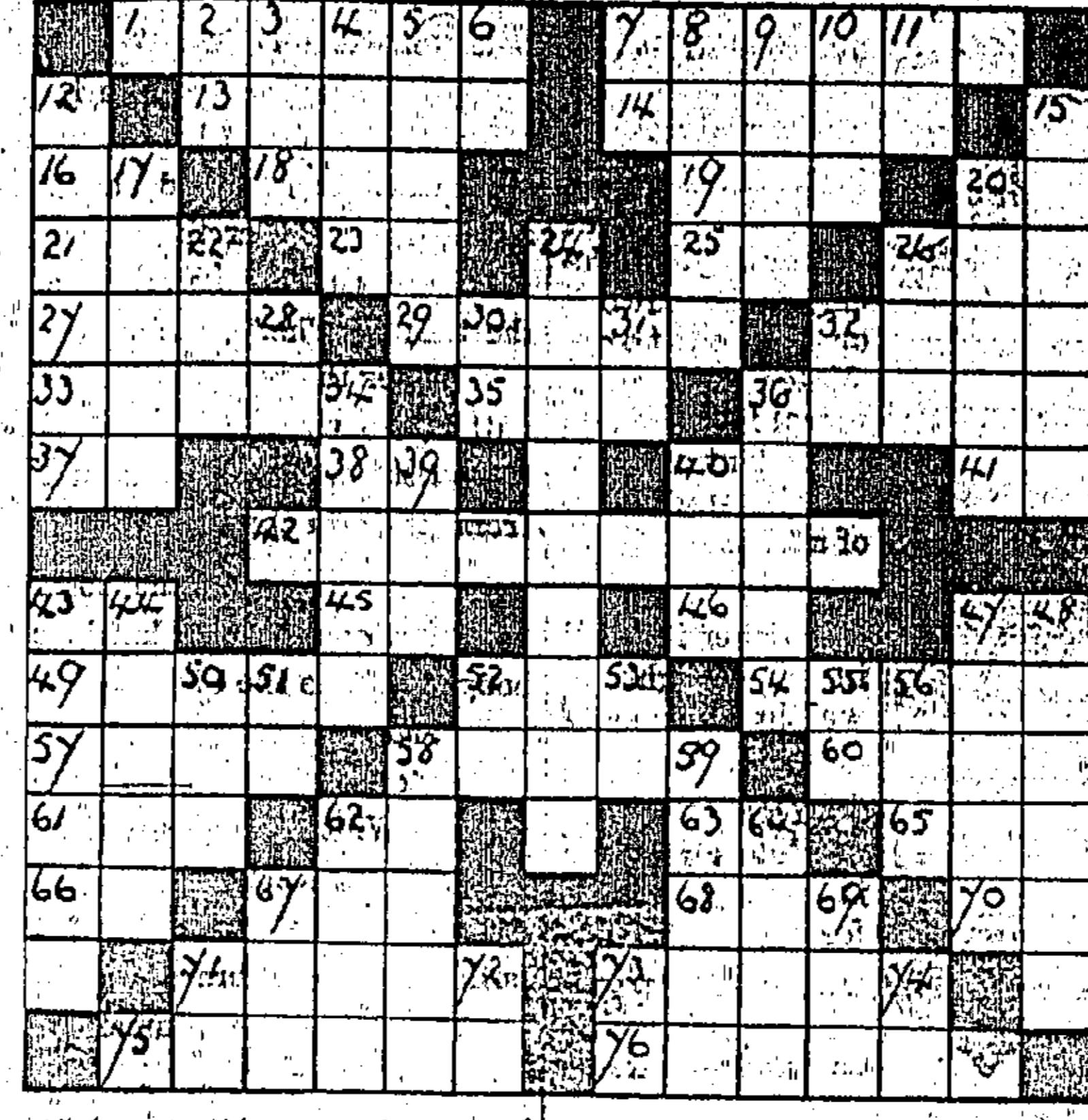
At the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, a Chinese was charged before Mr. T. W. Ainsworth with demanding with menaces the sum of \$50 from a shroff of the Kowloon Hospital and also with intimidating the complainant to do an act which he was not legally bound to do.

It was alleged by the prosecution that the defendant went to the complainant's office in the Kowloon Hospital and requested the sum of \$50 for bail for the complainant's brother who had been arrested. The complainant replied that he had no money and after a second fruitless request the defendant adopted a different attitude. He threatened that if the money was not forthcoming the complainant would be killed. The complainant informed the Police and the defendant was arrested.

The complainant's brother, referred to by the defendant, was stated to have been sentenced to a term of imprisonment for embezzlement in the Government Treasury.

The defendant was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



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1. High conceptions
7. Flat-bottomed boats
13. Fruit
14. To deprive of water
16. Soon on some cheques
18. A weight
19. A liquor
20. Correlative of either
21. Wrath
23. A Greek letter
24. Prefix meaning not
26. To make a mistake
27. Not far
29. The daughter of one's sister
32. A slope
33. Denotes the fineness of gold
35. From
36. Shoe coverings
37. Printer's measure
38. Exclamation
40. Species of swallows
44. Apart
47. Aids
49. Permits
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EMPIRE UNITY.

CONSTITUTIONAL SYSTEMS
COMPARED.

Rugby, Dec. 17.

The Colonial Secretary, Mr. Amery, reviewing the work of the Imperial Conference, said it had removed certain internal political difficulties in some Dominions, and had strengthened inter-Imperial relations.

In accordance with past procedure, the Balfour Report on those relations had not attempted to lay down a constitution, but generally to consider how it had developed. The British system was entirely different from the federal system, and the Conference revealed that in the Empire Councils the constitutional conception was evolving, namely that of unity which worked from within, giving absolute freedom to each part, and which was not less effective than other forms of unity imposed from without by the constitutional federal scheme.

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WHAT HONGKONG
LACKS.

The publication in Straits newspapers of a list of new novels recently added to the already fine series of volumes housed in the Raffles Library at Singapore set us thinking of the advantages which the Southern port has over us in this regard. The list, which covers a brief period of a fortnight's additions, contains over seventy of the latest issued novels, including three copies of each volume of H. G. Wells' most recent work, "The World of William Clissold," a book which has aroused great interest in literary circles in most parts of the world. Singapore is justly proud of its Library, as well it might be, for it is continually being added to. It is extremely well organised and kept thoroughly up-to-date, so that the general public has ample facilities provided by which it can keep pace with the world's literary output.

Here in Hongkong, unfortunately, we are very badly off in this respect. It is true that the Hongkong Club possesses a really splendid library, and that the Helena May Institute also caters to the literary tastes of its members in a library which, we hear, is now developing into quite a good collection of books. But these two collections are confined to the use of members, and all that the general public has at its service is the offerings of the City Hall Library. Here we have a very mixed assortment of books which could well do with a checking up to see what is worth keeping and what might be consigned to the scrap-heap. Many are the dry and dusty volumes housed in the City Hall, including, if we remember aright, quite a big collection of legal and Parliamentary books in which the general public cannot have the slightest interest and which probably remain on the shelves year in and year out. There is, admittedly, a deal of really good literature in the Library, in no sense complete, however, and it is also true that now and again there are new additions made. But under present conditions, it is extremely difficult to discover what the Library contains, either in the way of old or new books, for the only catalogue available is contained in a couple of volumes, in which the entries are made in ink and from which it is only possible to trace a book by looking under the initial

of the first word of the title. To take, for example, Mr. Wells' new work, if it happened to be in the Library (which we believe is not the case), one would have to search for it under the letter "T" merely because the first word of the title is "The". If one desired to discover the works of any given author, he would find that there is no list of authors, as distinct from titles, in the Library.

As we understand the position, the Library is in the hands of a body known as the City Hall Trustees, and presumably there is a limit to the funds available for books. Which prompts the oft-repeated suggestion that, together with the whole of the City Hall buildings, the Library should be acquired by the Government, thoroughly reorganised, with a well-paid Librarian and staff engaged. There is little enough of culture in Hongkong, and as we know that His Excellency the Governor is keen on general education and on the spread of knowledge, we once again throw out the idea that the whole question of providing the Colony with a really good public Library should be taken up by the authorities.

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EXCHANGE RATES.

	Rugby, Dec. 17.
Paris	121 1/4
Brussels	34.98
Amsterdam	12.13
Berlin	20.88
Copenhagen	18.21
Vienna	34.39 1/4
Helsingfors	192 1/4
Lisbon	217 1/2
Buenos Aires	40.11/32
Shanghai	20.0 1/16
New York	4.86 7/32
Milan	109 1/2
Stockholm	18.15
Oslo	19.20 1/2
Prague	163 1/2
Madrid	31.86
Rio	6.5
Bombay	1.63 1/16
Hongkong	1.11 1/2
Silver (spot and forward)	24 1/2
	British Wireless.

DAY BY DAY.

A HELPING WORD TO ONE IN TROUBLE IS OFTEN LIKE A SWITCH ON A RAILROAD TRACK—but one inch between wreck and smooth-rolling prosperity.—Becker.

The U. S. S. Helena arrived in port last evening. The usual salutes were exchanged.

"Musical Jottings," by Allegro, in which reference will be made to the criticisms of "The Pirates of Penzance," will appear on Monday, instead of Thursday next.

A Chinese living at No. 23, Hill Street was yesterday found lying dead in his room. The circumstances pointed to the probability of suicide through drinking a half-pint of Lysol disinfectant.

It is notified for general information that on and after Monday, 20th December, the Offices of the Imports and Exports Department will be in the Fire Station Building, Connaught Road side, ground and second floors.

Tenders are being invited for the reconstruction and repair of Albany nullah, its tributaries and other nullahs as far east as the Military Hospital, together with the construction of all necessary retaining walls and other contingent works.

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EXCHANGE RATES.

BRIGHTER HONGKONG.

These Three—Faith, Hope, Charity.

Nations, old and new, attain certain characteristics for which they become famous. "Pleasant" and "unpleasant" these tabs and tickets label us. On one side of the British Isles lies France, and on the other side lies America, and the peoples of these two countries are in complete agreement that the British take their pleasures surely. If we ever possessed the priceless gift of natural gaiety, and unaffected enjoyment, we have lost every trace of it to-day. Laughter must be modulated. Wit must be on the level of the slowest thinker and most desperately refined. Games should be circumspect, and definitely organised on recognised and timeworn rules! Love must be pruned, and either furtive, or the subject of ridicule,—and so we come to Christmas.

Mr. Stephen McKenna has written a novel of Pan-let-loose on a house-party with sorry consequences to those indulging, and to a large number of friends and relations directly connected. If that result is the nightmare of the Hongkong moral caretakers their experiences must have been peculiar, and it is a sad fact that this Colony is upheld as an example of all that is boring in British life by hosts and hostesses of four other Colonies.

The world is a book, of which he who stays at home reads but a page. The word Home is ubiquitous as used. It is the groove into which we sink with a sigh of relief, but it is a regretted fact that Hongkong is akin to a prickly hedgehog, and we are apt to sink into our social and mental grooves between the spines of that horny animal whose middle name is Public Criticism.

Why do so many people prefer Shanghai? It is an ugly reclamation ground covered with pseudo prosperity! It has no natural beauty of any kind, it has no sea-bathing, it has no and then I was told what it has to give to the community: it has personal and public freedom. It has done away with self-consciousness. "Let us be gay," says the host, and without more ado, without a thought for to-morrow, the guests array themselves in antimacassars and play "touch-lust" in the dark. Well and good. Should any two of the community meet next morning, they remark that it was a good show, and forget it. Should such abandon take place at a Peak Posturing Party it would become a "nine days' wonder followed on the tenth by, at least, three actions for libel, the principal litigants being a man, a woman, and the host.

At the Peak Club recently was held a *bal masque*. By happy accident, or propaganda, a sufficient number of folk attended in costume and mask which defied recognition of the wearers. From the Hedgehog, Public Criticism, they became a joyous band of roisterers. The posters should have run:—"Positively our first and last appearance, and for one night only." Laughter was spontaneous and immoderate; yet, stimulated by the reckless spirit of "thou shalt not be found out," was swift and gay. One wondered where all the pretty women came from, for although the eyes were

desirous curries.—(Kindly superintended by the Colony's experts.) First class coolie show.—(Kindly arranged by Chinese friends.) Irish Stew.—(As typical of England's best.) Cold Roast Beef.—(By generosity of the D.F.) would be obtainable at the Murray Parade Ground under the marquee used at the Horticultural Show. All these dishes can be warmed and kept warm with ease, and, at a dollar luncheon, bring big profit. Clearing service is easily arranged by the loan of boys, who, being naturally gay, enjoy such interlude in their mechanical duty. The booths, attractively decorated, and laden with desirable and necessary articles such as, good French newspaper, and durable white lingerie ribbon. A children's party, left entirely in the hands of nurses, could be given pride of place from 3.30 to 5 p.m. A cocktail and beer bar could be run by a series of court jesters. In the past, a band has been procurable, with this the Help-yourself-buffet-supper would naturally develop into dancing on the green. What are the essentials to success? Three only.

The first, a genuine desire to collect money in aid of charity.

That air of fearless gaiety achieved miraculously by a mask.

One bristling hedgehog, pines rampant, and roasted whole!

TISTHENES.

CIVIL AVIATION.

HOW IT HAS HELPED BANKERS.

Rugby, Dec. 17.

A De Havilland-Hercules machine will leave London for India. The Cairo-Baghdad-Karachi air service will leave the Croydon airport early to-morrow.

Among the seven passengers will be Air Vice-Marshall, Sir Sefton Brancker (Director of Civil Aviation) who, after visiting India by air, will return to Egypt in order to travel to East Africa on the new experimental air service between Khartoom and Kisumu, in Kenya, which is to be inaugurated next month.

A second Hercules machine will leave London for India a few days later and a third machine, on which the Air Minister, Sir Samuel Hoare and Lady Maud Hoare are travelling, will leave on December 27th.—British Wireless.

FLIGHTS TO SINGAPORE

FLEET OF FLYING BOATS.

London, Dec. 17.

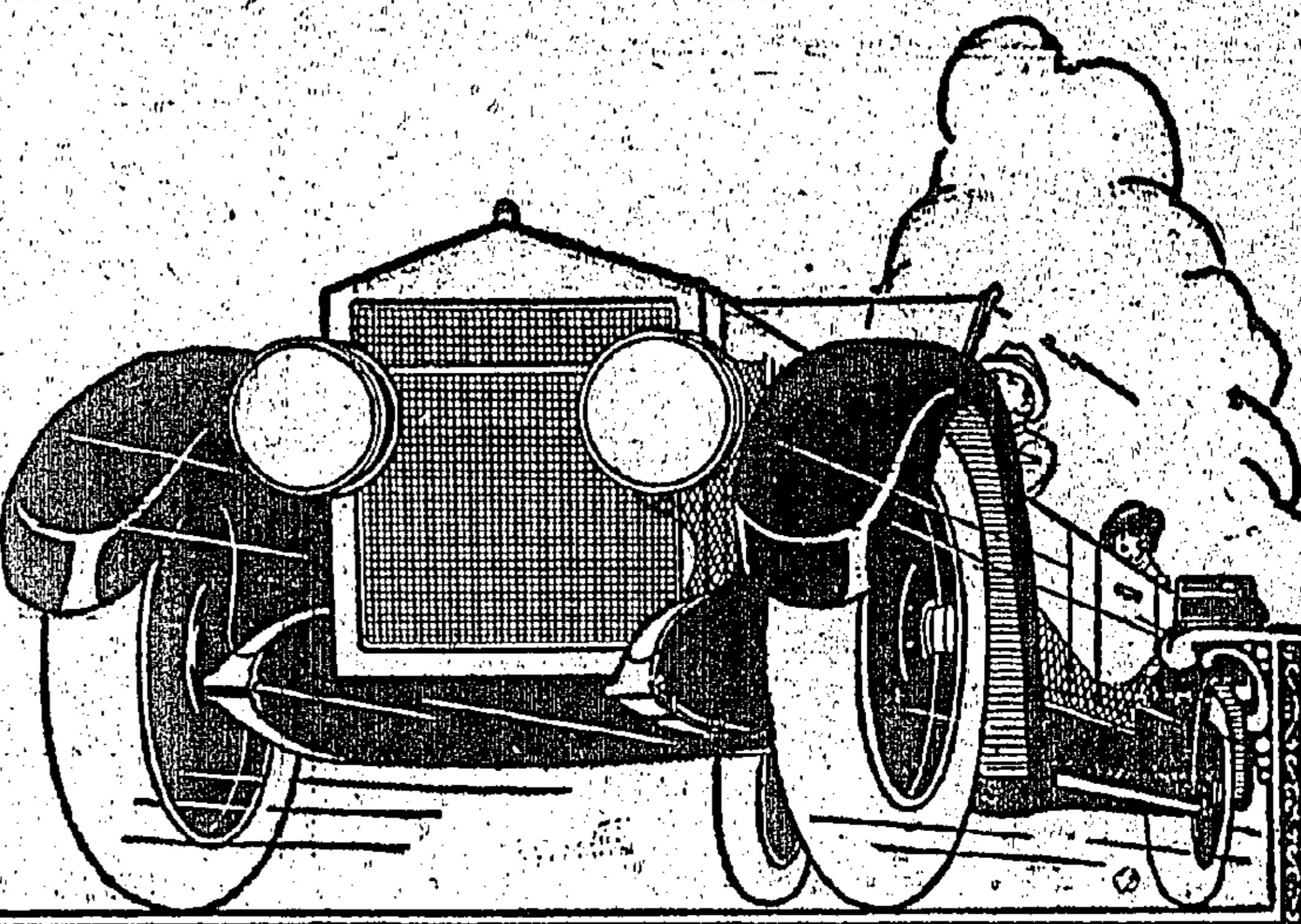
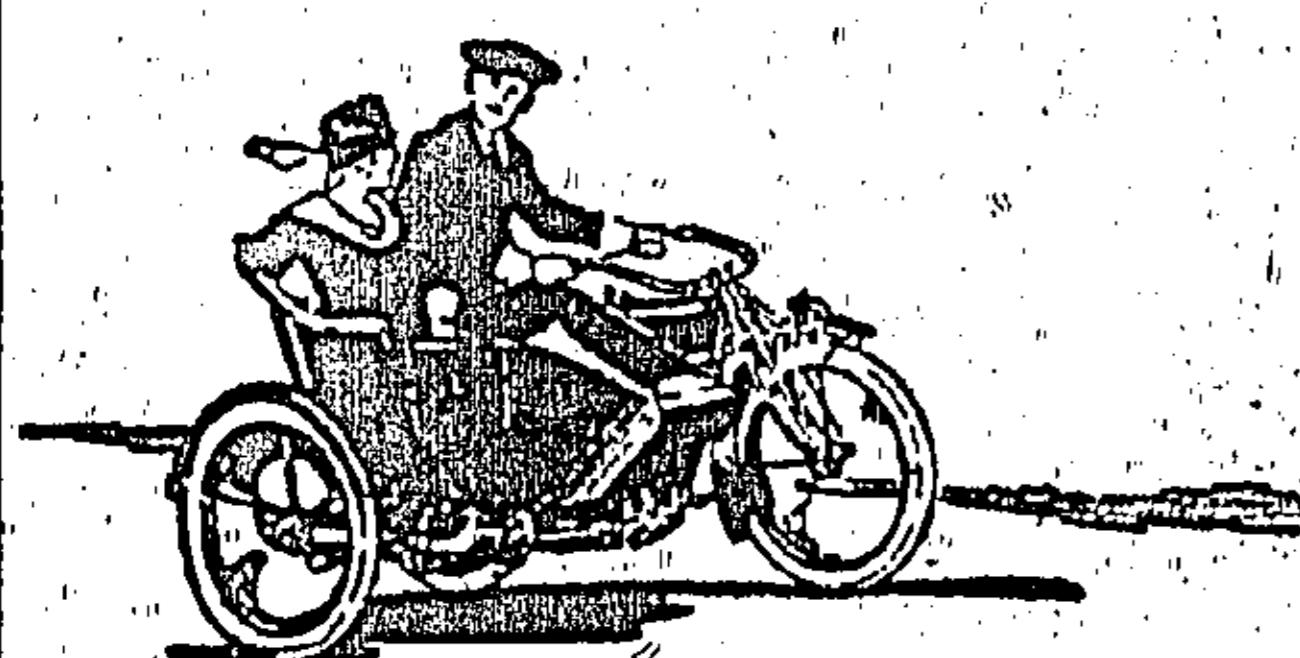
With reference to the report that a fleet of flying boats will fly to Singapore and to Australia

MOTORING SUPPLEMENT

OF
THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

SATURDAY, 18th. DECEMBER, 1926.

(Being the Official Organ of the Hongkong Automobile Association.)



CURRENT COMMENT

Touting.

A number of arrests have been made by the police of persons who tout for motor car fares, especially in the vicinity of the General Post Office. Fines ranging from \$10. to \$15. have been imposed, and it is hoped, that the Police action in the matter will stamp out this annoying and objectionable practice.

Dangerous Places.

Shanwick Road, at the junction of the tram terminus is undergoing repair, and careful driving is needed. At the bottom of the hill, the road is being rolled, and caution should be exercised when approaching that part. Morrison Street between Des Voeux Road, Central and Connaught Road near the Central Market is another danger-spot for any vehicle travelling from Connaught Road to Des Voeux Road. The tram-cars run from south to north in this street, and as the road is not very wide, it is distinctly dangerous for vehicles coming from the opposite direction to pass. Although only a short street, it would perhaps be safer if traffic used is one way only, i.e. south to north. Further east, the tram-cars run from Connaught Road to Des Voeux Road, and this could be regulated in a like manner, that is, one way traffic from north to south.

Safety First.

From the "safety first" point of view, one-way traffic is at times desirable, and it could be insisted upon in the above mentioned streets without any inconvenience to the public. The motor traffic is not heavy in these places, but we have heard of one or two collisions which would have been prevented had the system suggested herein been in force.

Stubb Roads.

This important thoroughfare is still under repair just above the Hongkong Hotel Garage, and only a small space on the west side is open to traffic. A very large number of motor vehicles use this road, and it is to be hoped, that it will not be long now, before it is again free of obstruction.

A Novel Point.

During the week, a coolie was charged at the Police Court with pushing a barrow along the roadway by night, without exhibiting a light. Judging from the Magistrate's remarks when discharging

MOTORISTS VISIT CANADA.

Tourists are motoring to New Brunswick, Canada, in increasing numbers. At the end of September there was a record of 16,170 autos having entered the province from the United States. The number represents an increase of 3512 over the same period last year.

EUROPE FAVOURS AUTOS.

There is a growing motor use in Europe. Bad roads are the chief cause in retarding automobile sales. However, most European countries are adopting extensive highway development policies which are expected to bring an enormous increase in motor transportation.

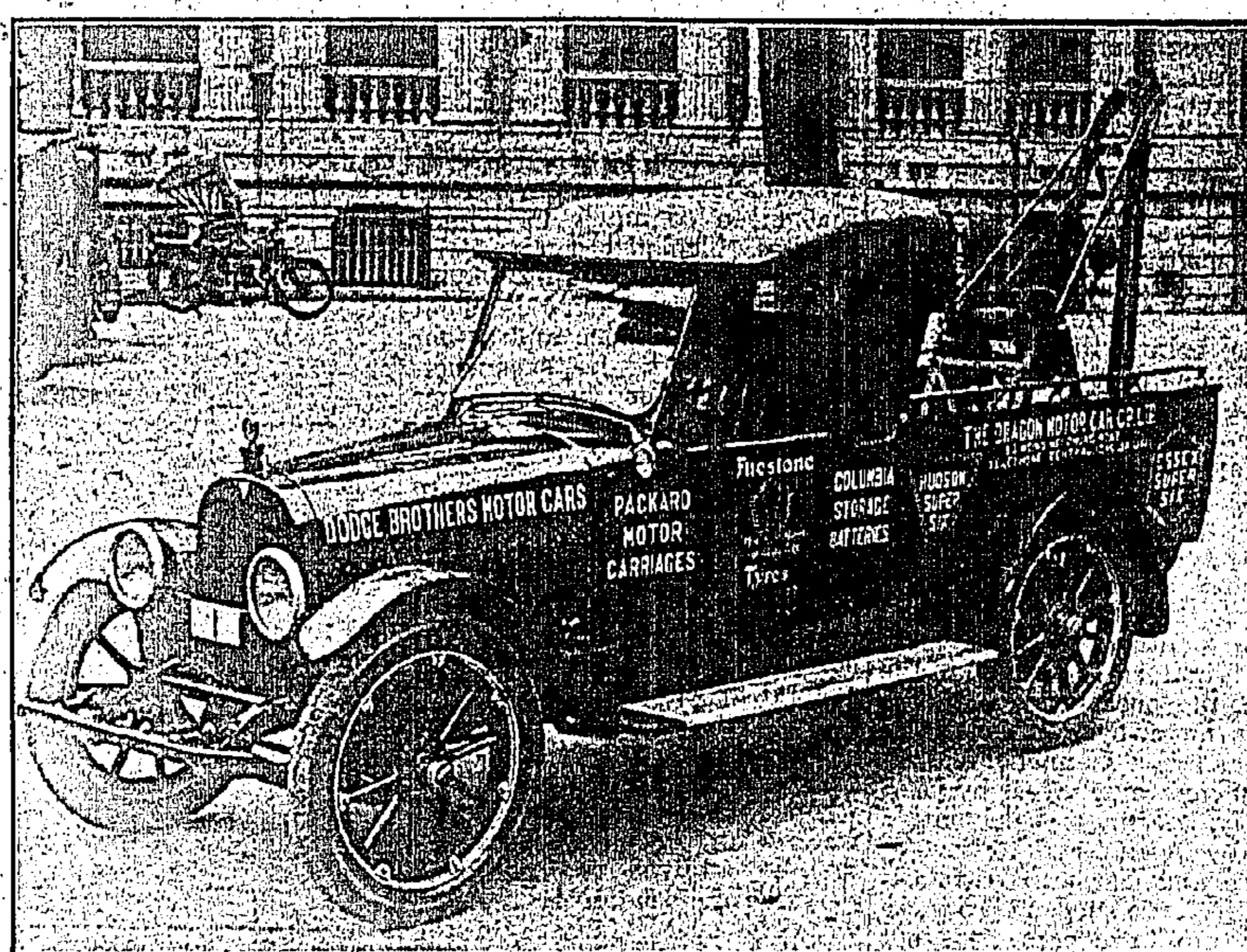
LARGER REGISTRA- TIONS.

Car registrations in St. Louis for the first nine months of 1926 have shown a tremendous increase over the same period last year. Vehicle registration for the first eight months exceeds the issue for the entire 1925 period in every classification except motorcycles.

AUTOS INVADE EUROPE.

George F. Bauer, secretary of the foreign trade committee of the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce, says motor transportation is becoming a reality in Europe instead of being considered a luxury.

THE DRAGON MOTOR CAR COMPANY'S LATEST SERVICE CAR.



The above vehicle is the Dragon Company's latest addition to their emergency and repair service. The chassis is by the famous firm of Graham Brothers, whose commercial vehicles have proved their worth in the Colony. The crane which is seen at the back of the car is easily removable, thus allowing the vehicle to be used for ordinary work as a commercial truck.

TRANSPORT CONGRESS.

To Be Held In New York.

Public relations aspects of the automotive industry will be the topic for discussion at one session of the Third World Motor Transport Congress, Hotel Roosevelt, New York City, January 10-11, 1927, coincident with the National Automobile Show.

Suggested solutions for traffic problems, which become increasingly difficult everywhere, will be offered in an address by one of the foremost traffic experts available. Special motion picture films have been prepared to illustrate various points covered.

Trends in Automotive Legislation will be covered in another address, illustrated with films, by an executive well versed in this phase of motor transport development.

Co-operative activities undertaken to advance the industry will be another phase discussed which should prove to be of great interest to delegates.

Experiences and opinions regarding international developments in public relations may be exchanged by delegates in general discussions which will be invited at this as well as all other sessions of the Congress.

Other activities planned include sessions devoted to uses of motor vehicles in public administration, agriculture, commerce and industry, and in conjunction with other forms of transportation, highways, selling and servicing, financing, visit to National Automobile Show, and attendance at Annual Banquet of National Automobile Chamber of Commerce. Use of special motion pictures illustrating the various topics and simultaneous translation of all addresses into English, French, Spanish and German will greatly facilitate visualisation by delegates of problems and methods discussed.

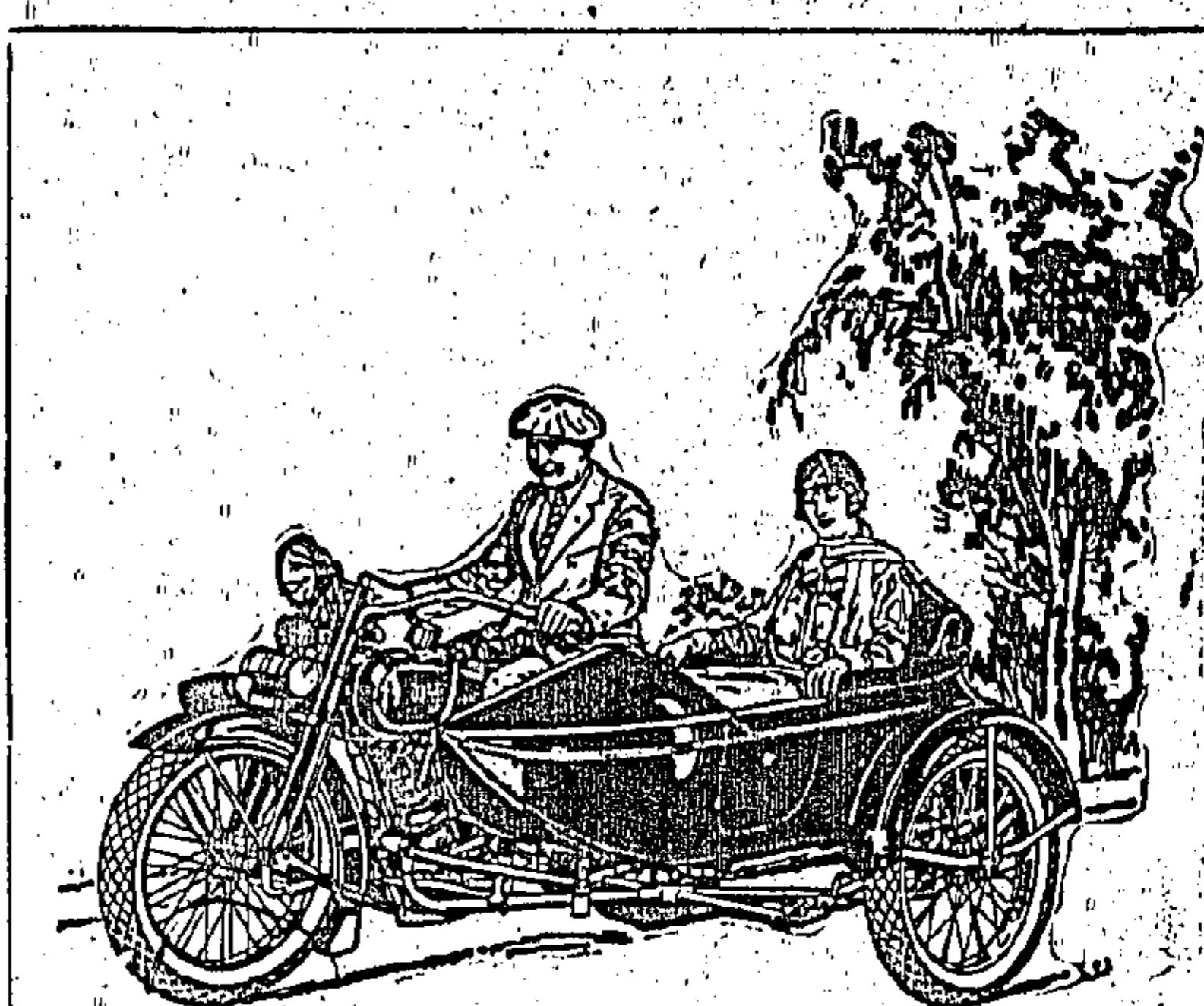
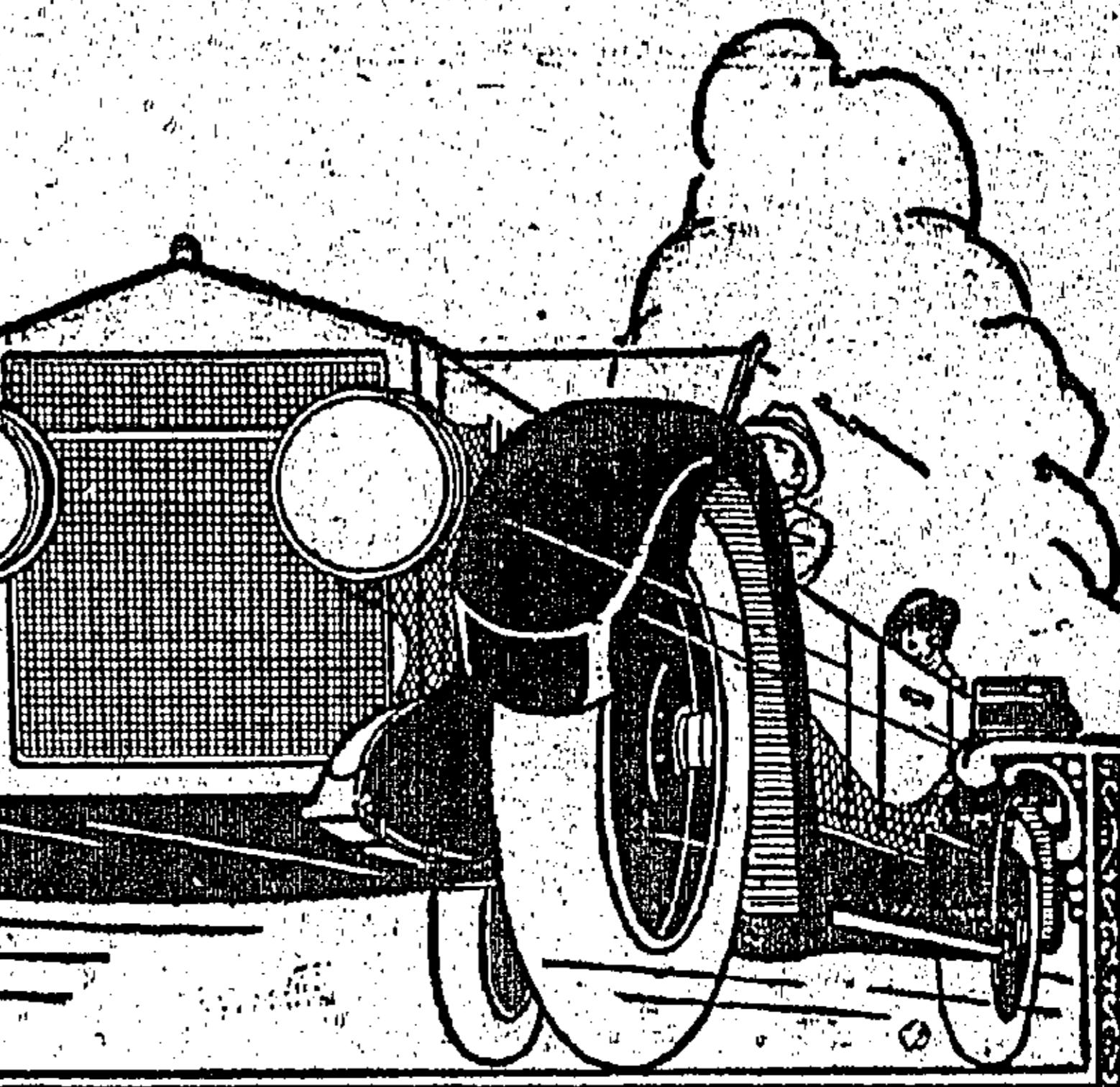
MOTORING IN GERMANY.

Still The Privilege Of The Rich.

Motoring in Germany is still the privilege of the rich. That Germans will not buy automobiles, in spite of tempting offers on the instalment plan, is one of the principal lessons of the international motor exhibition held recently in Berlin. Prices are still far too high. Germany has systematised car-building to such an extent that whereas there were 52 firms making cars last year there are only 30 firms to-day. But this has not resulted in the popularisation of any cheap form of car.

German manufacturers are said to earn enormous profits on every car sold, but they refuse to turn their attention to the middleclass car. Enormous duties on foreign makes—as much as 55 per cent in the case of a small Ford—still leaves the imported car cheaper than the German make. This is in spite of the fact that Ford's wages are from six to eight times higher than those paid in Germany. These taxes were originally put on to enable German manufacturers, after the war to compete with the imported car, but the chief effect seems to have been an immense amount of attention paid to engine perfection and luxury of body in their highest types. A big South German firm turning out 300 cars a day can only sell them at the rate of 50 a day.

Socialists are clamouring for Fords free of duty, so as to make German manufacturers see that the poorer members of the community would as willingly own a car as in other countries, if only the initial expense were not so high. There is certainly a fortune awaiting the man who can build garages cheaply in a country where tenement houses are the rule and no kind of room or possibility exists for keeping and cleaning the car for nothing on the premises. This is probably one of the chief troubles in really popularising motoring. To see a woman at the wheel on German roads is still a rare enough sight for people to stand still and watch her.



Our second shipment of 1927 Harley-Davidson cycles and a large assortment of genuine spare parts are due here Christmas week.

Special Offer for Christmas and New Year Week. This shipment was ordered when exchange was high, but we will continue to sell them at our usual prices only till the 7th January 1927.

Big twin Solo \$ 825.00
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In the life of every human being there is something he likes to put off doing—something he would shirk or postpone unless duty shouted at him "But you must do it."

We are all that way and success can probably be figured in direct ratio to the number of things we do—and do well—that we really don't want to do.

The big important things must be done, of course if we are to get anywhere. But it is small important things that we so often neglect.

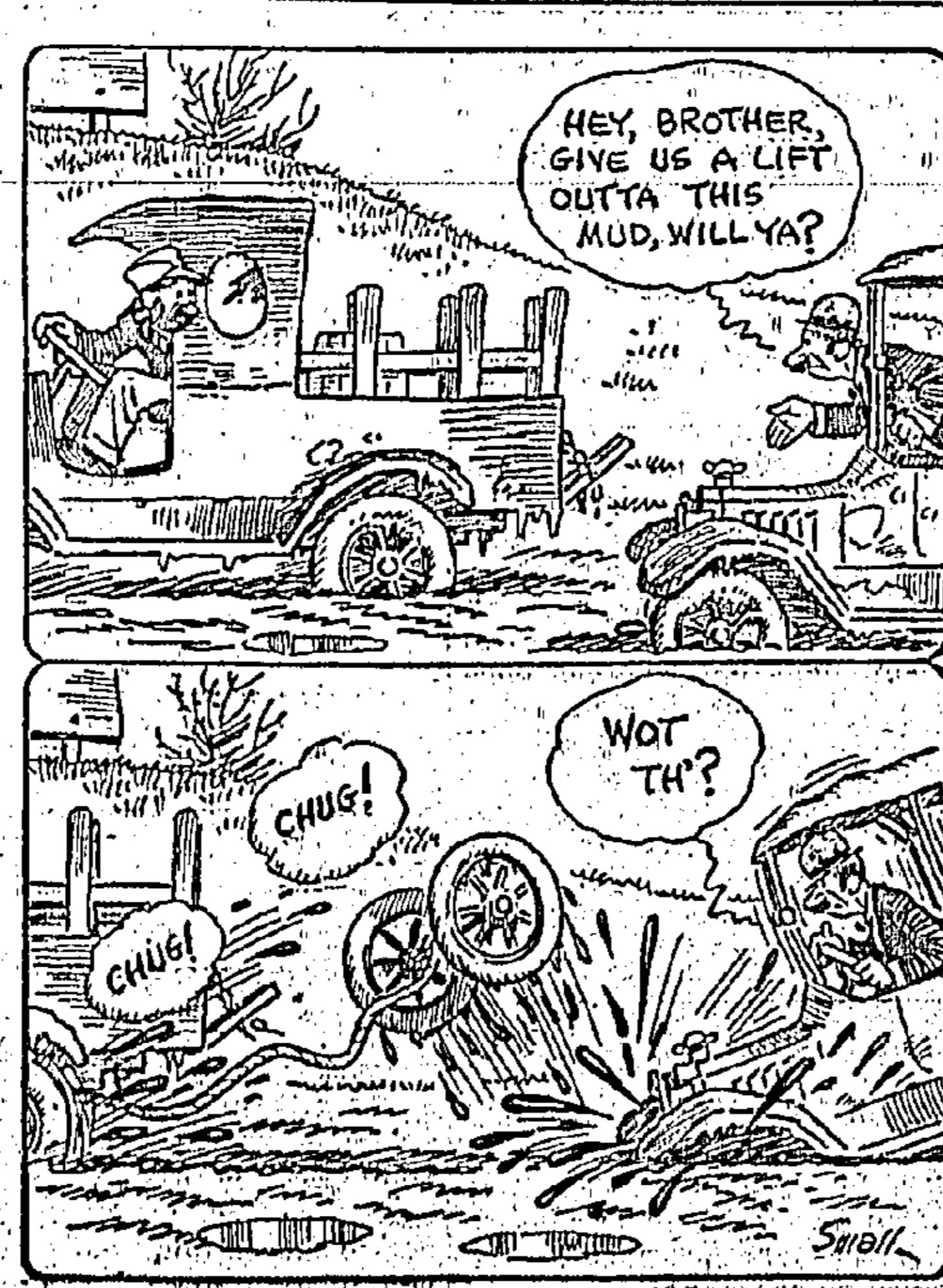
Take the lubrication of your motorcar engine for example—this most important matter is grossly neglected by the majority of us.

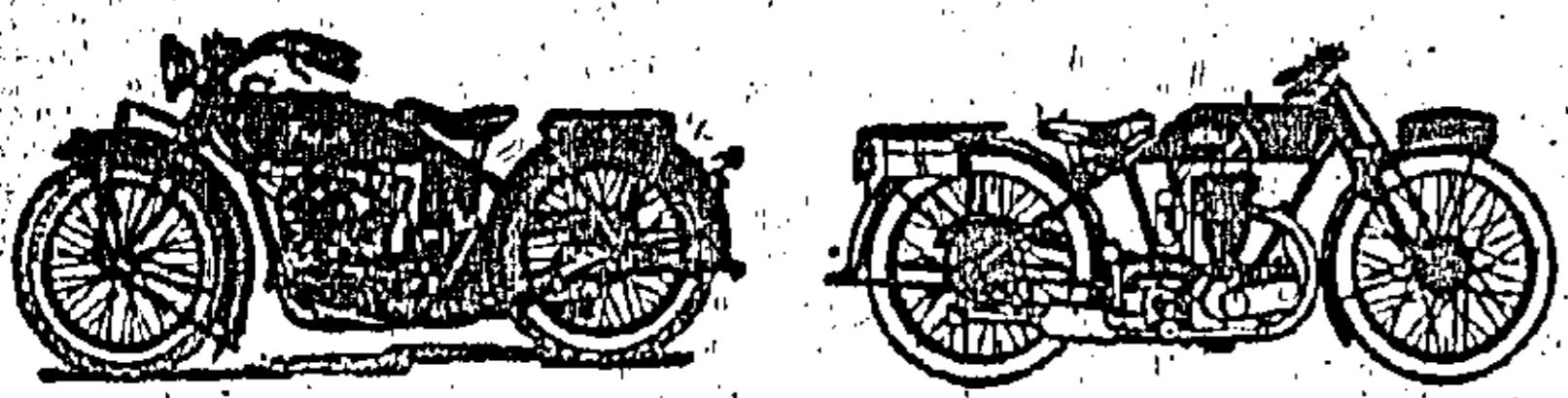
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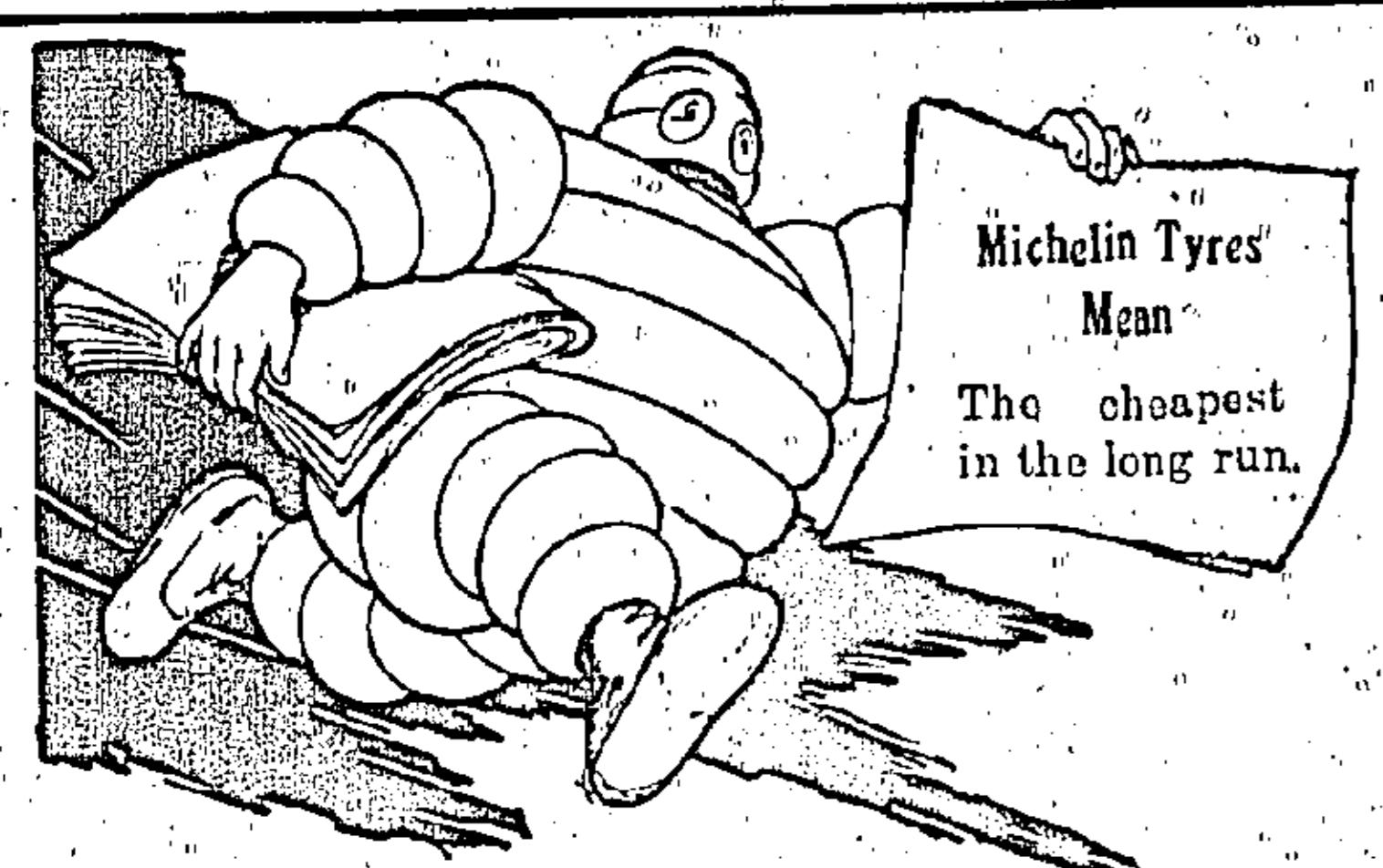
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There is something in the atmosphere of autumn that gives rise to cogitation. A certain feeling there is in the air, in the falling brown leaves as they swirl and scurry in the cold edged wind, that makes us pause mentally and sighing, remember that there has flown another year.

For who counts but summer as the part of the year that matters?

SOBER REFLECTIONS.

Such was my mood the other evening, sitting in my old trusted car, waiting at a cross-road for a friend. The warm day's sun was sinking behind the pines; everywhere was the sound of evening, of the approaching finish of things. Maybe it was only of the day; but maybe my mood turned that fact into thoughts that seemed to bear on the ending of the year. Yet, thinking so, and wondering what good or else bad had been done in the past twelve months; and what more there remained to be done in the future, the occasional pass of a car or motor-cycle directed my musings into a channel of realization of how much, year by year, recently, the motor has changed our daily lives.

The change has been so gradual and still yet so sudden. To those of us who have cars it is not realized at all. Only to the envious few who do not in these days of generous hire-purchase terms, it would seem foolish almost to write "cannot" own a car it seems to be so quick and startlingly sudden. For possession of any transport—individual transport that is not tied down to arbitrary timetables, to queues and crushes and to hatchet-faced men behind the arch-shaped glass of a ticket office—brings such changes in the lives of us all. Somehow it seems to add to Romance; to put the whole world at our feet. As some modern poet might well write, "The hand that starts the motor rules the world."

THE ART OF DECEPTION.

Take courtship—for instance. Who in these enlightened days would dream of the man and the maid, of each other's mutual choice, sitting over a dish of tea in the "best room" and exchanging polite simperings about the weather and whatnot under the beaming eye of some fond parent. But they had to do so not so many years ago. The thought of a pair meeting unchaperoned after the sun had fallen would have then seemed "too perfectly" outrageous for words, my dear. And so they kicked over the traces, did those young couples and, having once learned the art of deception, took to it naturally enough in regard to each other when the rifts that develop in all domestic bliss came along in after-married life. Whereat there was trouble, unhappiness, and a busy time in the divorce court.

Of course, emancipation of a sort came with good King Edward. There were free meetings at tennis and golf. But even then, they were uncomfortable and tiring. I mean, the thought of pushing the pedals of a bicycle after a really hard set does not add to the zest of the game, and, even if one's swain be the most patient fellow in the world, it is difficult to be passionate while pedalling perspiring.

The car has changed it all. Nowadays, the course of true young love runs smoothly on balloon tyres to the merry zip of a willing exhaust note. The car is a mobile bower for fair Rosamond, and she benefits accordingly therby. How many

MORE TRUCK LINES.

Permits are expected to be granted by the Minnesota State Railroad and Warehouse Commission to 74 truck companies to operate more than 6000 miles of truck lines in the state.

FEAR FIRE HAZARD.

Austin (Tex.) lawmakers are planning to prohibit the use of garages for living quarters, filling stations and business places where large amounts of gasoline are stored.

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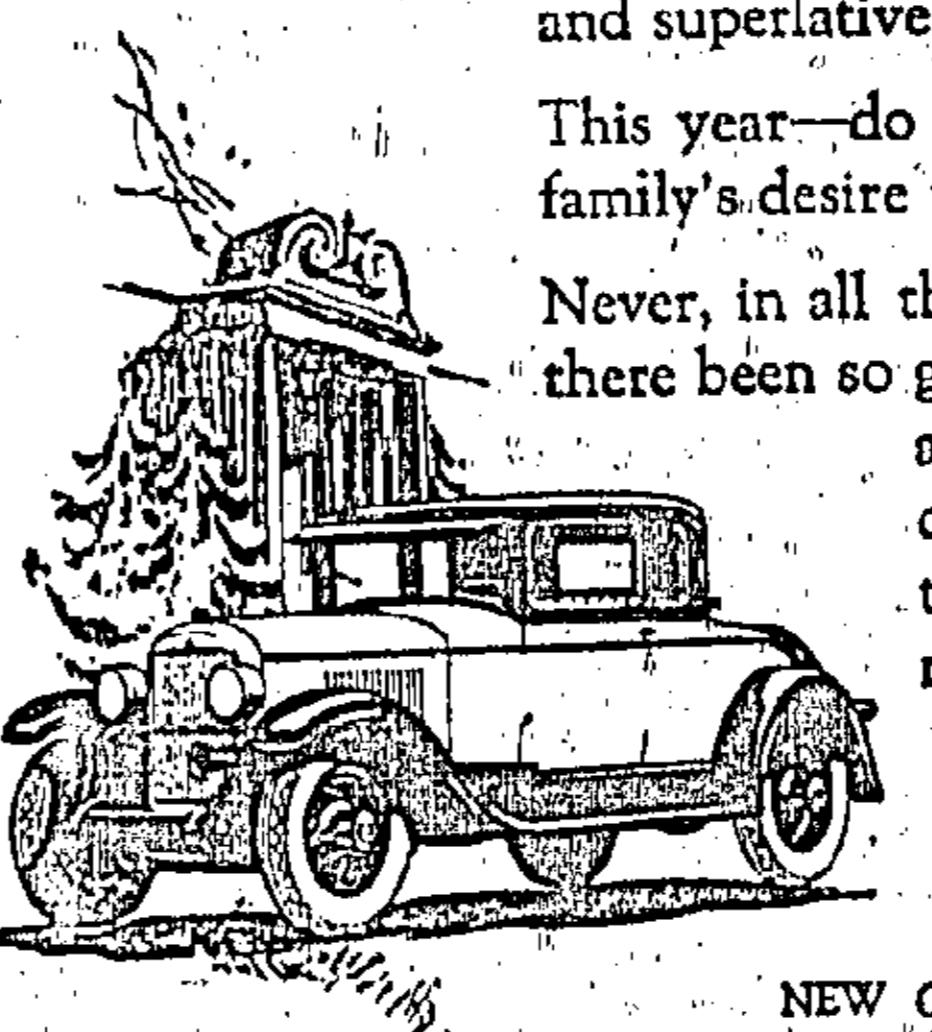
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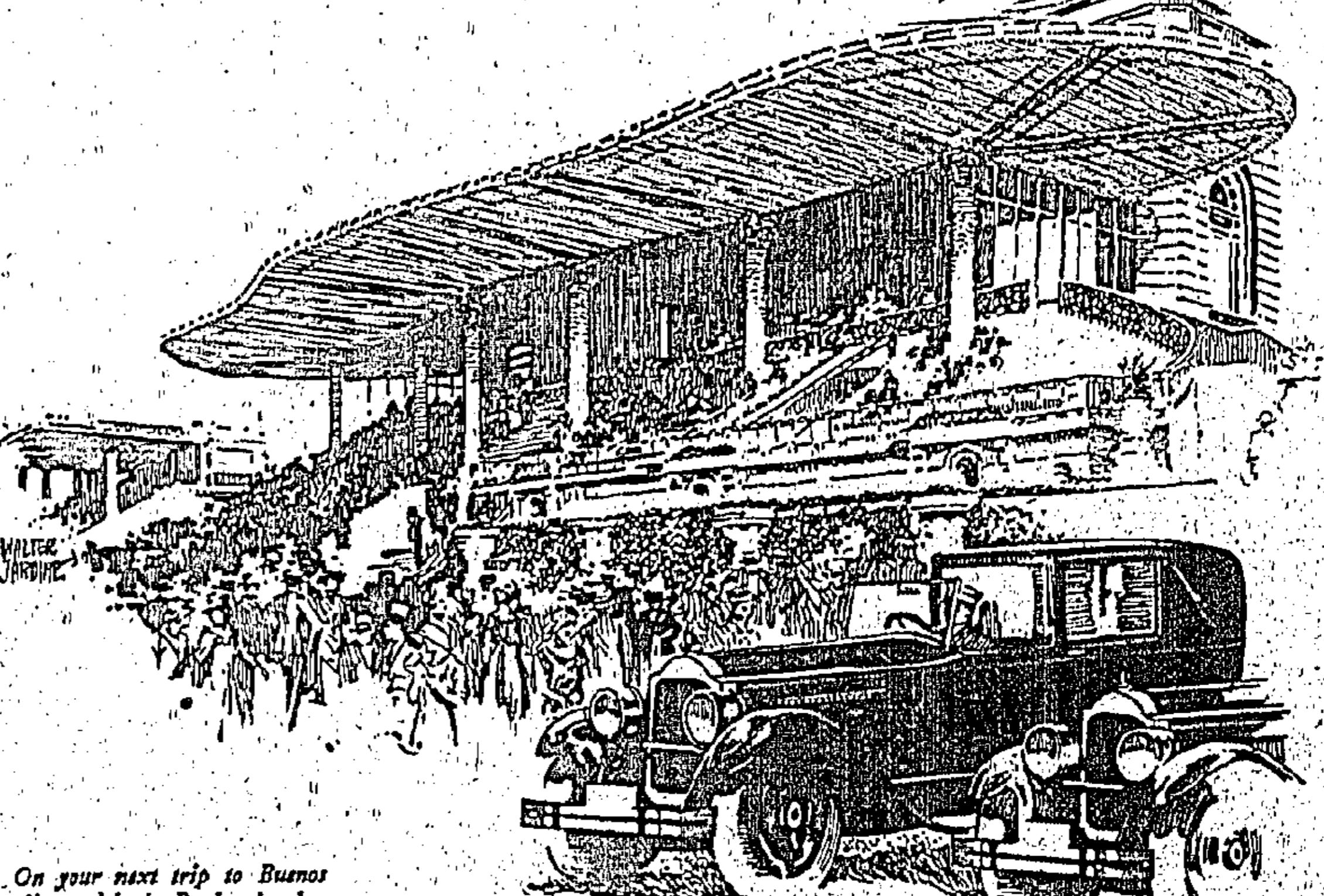
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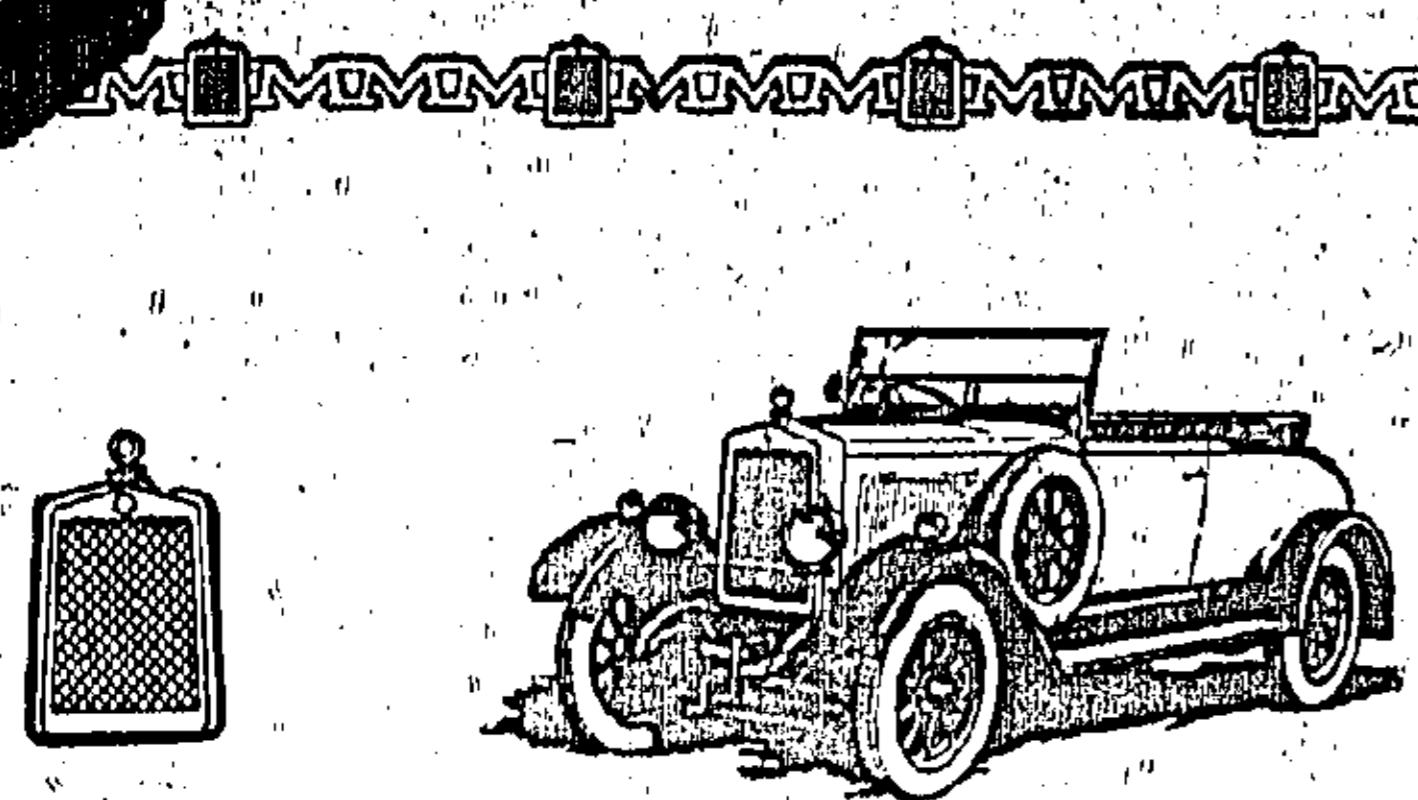
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More than half the cars sold in the United States cost the buyer less than 30 cents a pound. A comparison with other commodities purchased by the American public shows, this pound cost to be unusually low.

LIQUOR IS RESPONSIBLE.

Intoxication leads all other causes in the revocation of motor drivers' licenses in Michigan, Massachusetts, New York and Pennsylvania.

Tokyo.—Assembling of Japan's big new dirigible airship purchased in Italy will be started in January at Kasumigaura naval air field under supervision of Captain Nobile Will, Italian dirigible expert, and Lieutenant Commander Hirata of the Imperial Japanese Navy. The first trial flight is expected to take place in March.



The "World" Morris and its topee!

The Morris "World" radiator compares with the old "Home" radiator as a thick pith topee compares with a light straw hat. It defies the sun in any part of the world and keeps the Morris engine at the temperature it likes.

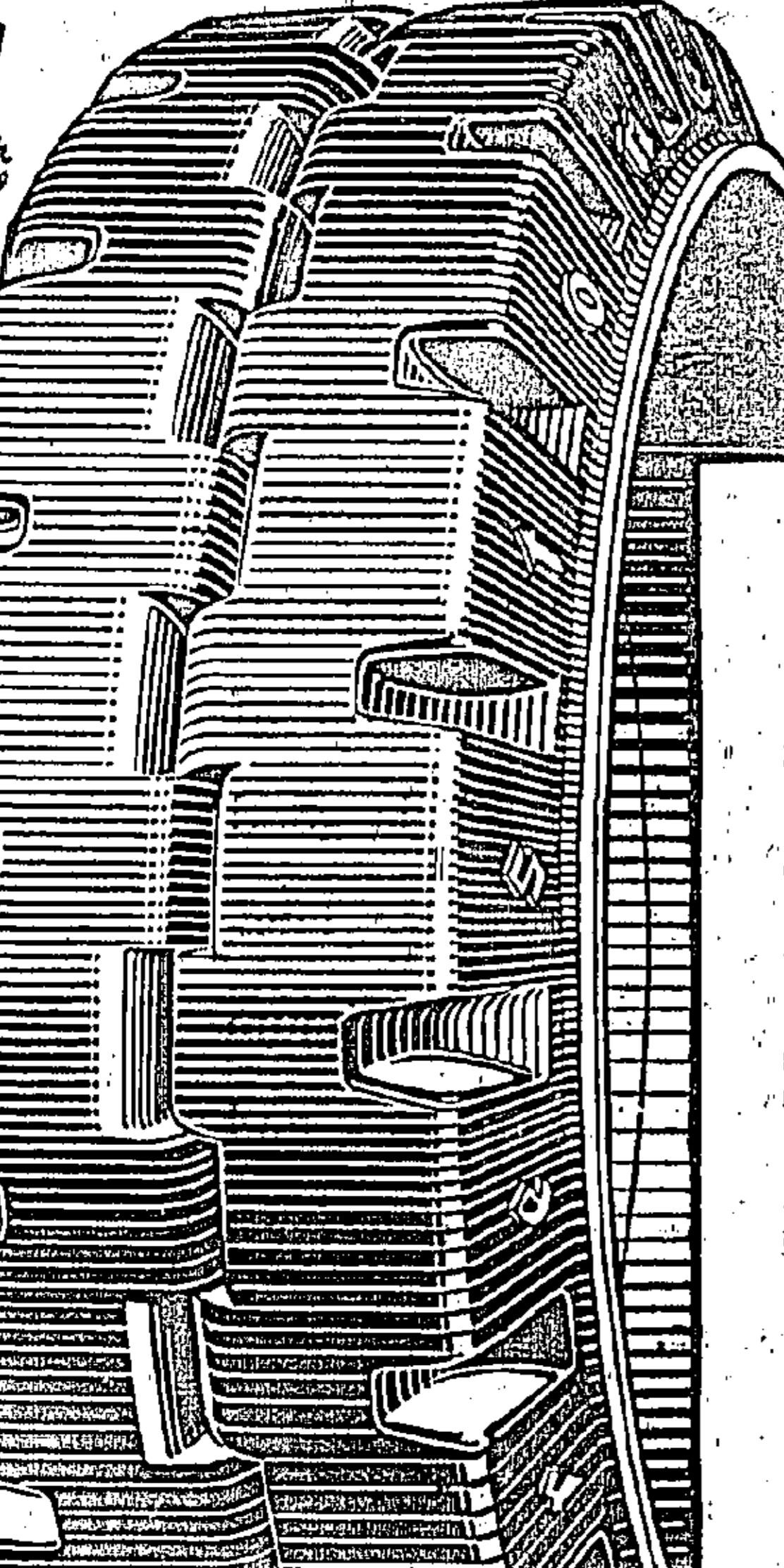
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BRITISH OVERSEAS TRADE.

Figures are not always so dry as they may seem, judging from the latest statistics issued in the Board of Trade Returns of September. There was an excess of car imports over car exports in 1925 to the tune of £1,825,385, while for the corresponding period in 1926 the exports gained over the imports by a £2,032,899 majority.

Why?

America appears to have a mania for being "different" from other peoples, and will go to any extreme in order to achieve this object. Their latest suggestion is that tail-lamps shall be green instead of red. Searching for a reason, one wonders if a flavour of Prohibition does not intrude itself into this move; but surely "gazing on the tail-lamp when it is red" cannot be worse than eying the chartreuse when it is green!

Cutting their own Throats.

It is a short-sighted policy on the part of garage owners in London to oppose so strenuously the efforts that are being made to provide better parking facilities in the Metropolis. Had it not been the case that the convenient garages are invariably over-crowded, the necessity for parking space would not have arisen, and this action cannot but alienate the patronage of motorists from their interests. If, on the other hand, this demand has been created by the motorists' natural antagonism to exorbitant garage charges, then the remedy lies in the hands of the garage proprietors themselves.

A Cure for Skids.

Now that the rainy season is setting in, it is not a bad plan to change the front and back wheels, so that the tyres with the most tread on them are at the rear. Although four-wheel brakes have done much to reduce the possibility of skidding, and although a front wheel skid is far more dangerous than a back wheel skid, it still remains a fact that rear wheel skids are the more likely to occur in normal driving.

Instinctively I turn to a man if I am in a mess, and so far, I have not been far wrong. But when the day comes that I am reduced to calling upon a fat man—I shall rely on myself.—Lady Kitty Vincent.

A Quaint Refresher.

An acquaintance of ours, who does some very long distance trips, tells us that one of the finest refreshers *en route* is nothing more or less than a visit to the barber's for a hair-cut and shave. Sometimes, he says, he becomes afflicted with sleepiness after 200 miles or so, but finds that after this novel cure he feels still quite capable of carrying on for another century.

British Cars at Parliament.

The number of British cars which entered Palace Yard, Westminster, was noted when the House was reassembled recently. In the space of half an hour nineteen British cars, with British tyres, passed the gates; five foreign cars, with foreign tyres, and three British cars with foreign tyres. M.P.s are evidently living up to the "Buy British" slogan.

Liverpool's New Landmark.

A new four-floor building, part and parcel of the huge new block which Lewis Ltd. are adding to their famous store in Liverpool, is to be the new home for Messrs. W. Watson & Co., the authorised Morris Dealers in Liverpool. The total area, including the basement, is no less than 50,000 square feet, and 150 cars can be accommodated in the basement garage. The architectural design of the new showrooms will be in schematic keeping with the rest of the street.

Brightening the Filling Station.

The latest innovation to brighten the lives of motorists is what is known as the Bowser Illuminated Oil Fountain. Built something on the lines of the petrol pump, the illuminated oil pump consists of a group of tanks which feed various grades of lubricant through a series of glass pipes, behind which a light is shown. The effect of the light through the various grades of oil is attractive and instructive, bringing prominently to the minds of motorists the difference in the various grades.

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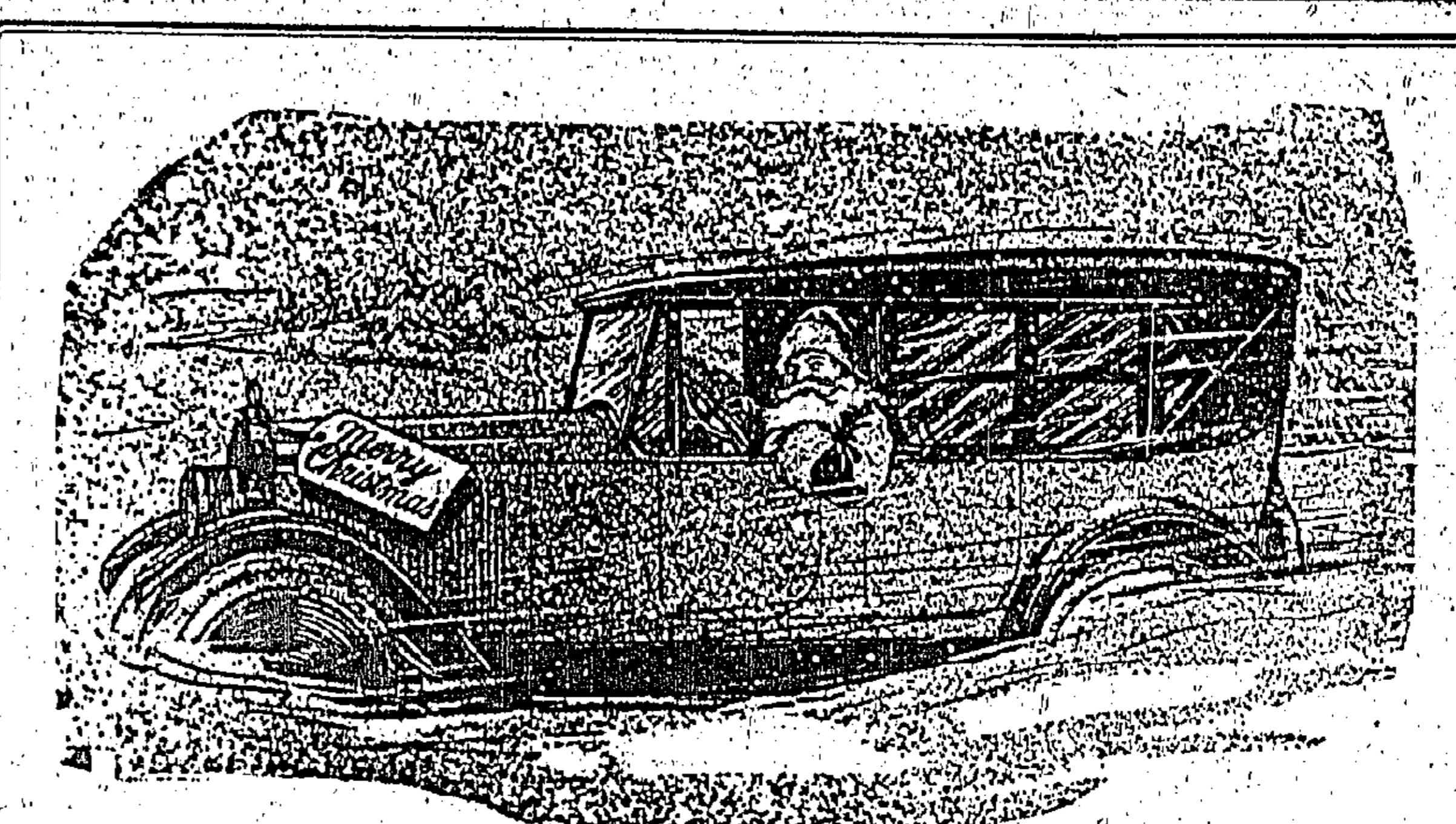
The annual increase in the demand for automobiles has been so great that progress in automobile engineering could hardly keep pace with it.

Such advance in numbers ahead of design and improvement would be deplorable in aviation. Permanent popularity of the airplane must depend on its careful engineering development. Factors of safety, reliability and achievement must be given painstaking attention to a considerably greater degree than was necessary in the case of the automobile. Passenger cars came before trucks in automobile history. Commercial planes come before pleasure planes in aviation history.

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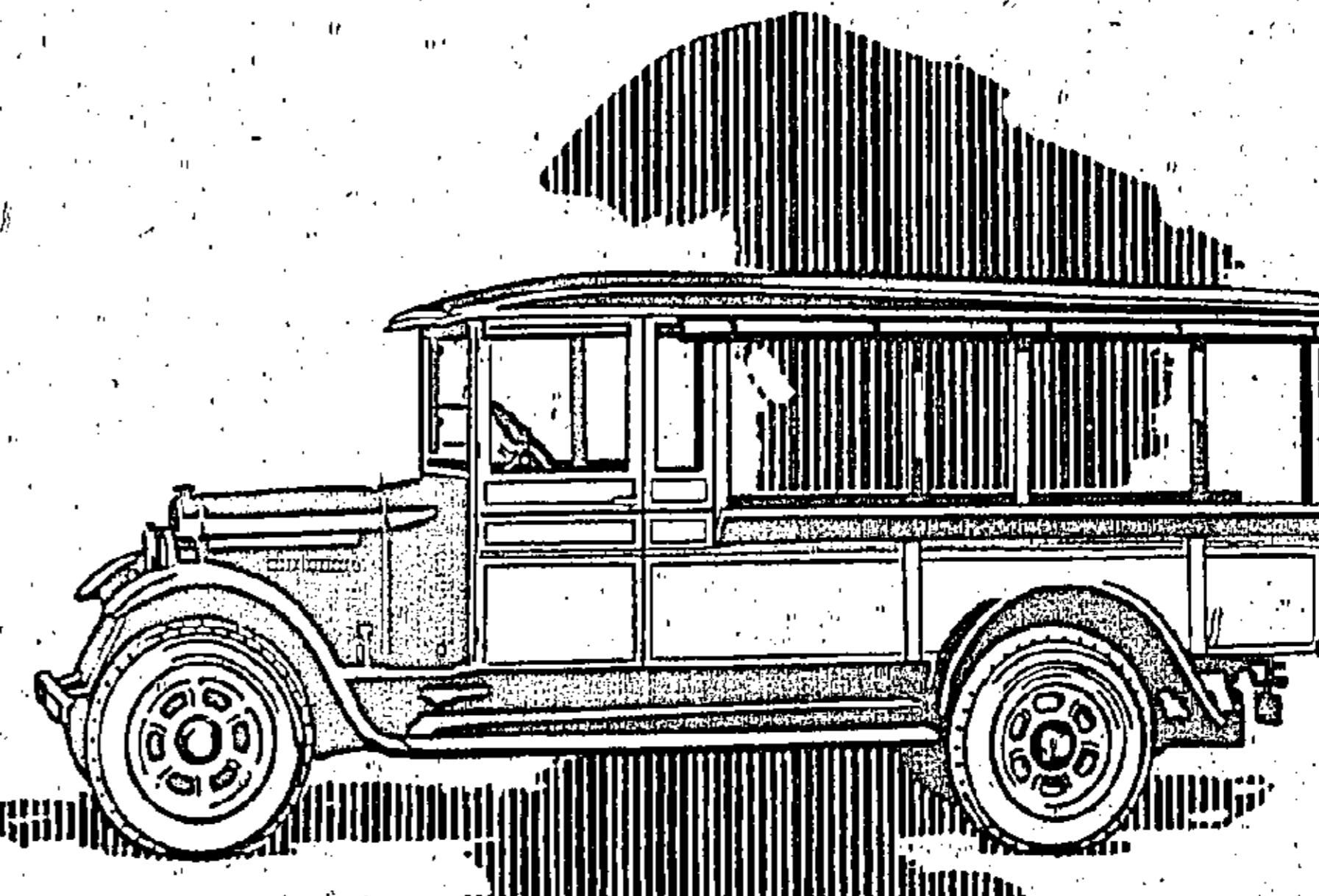
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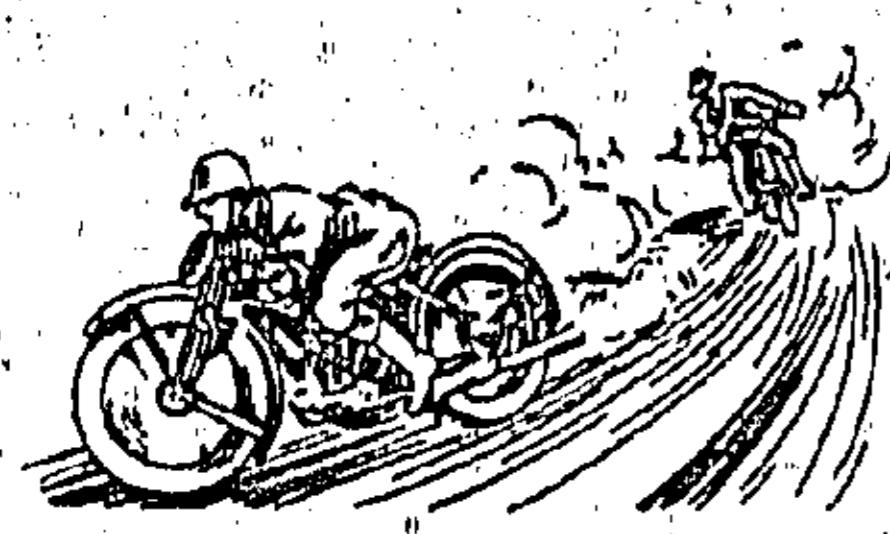
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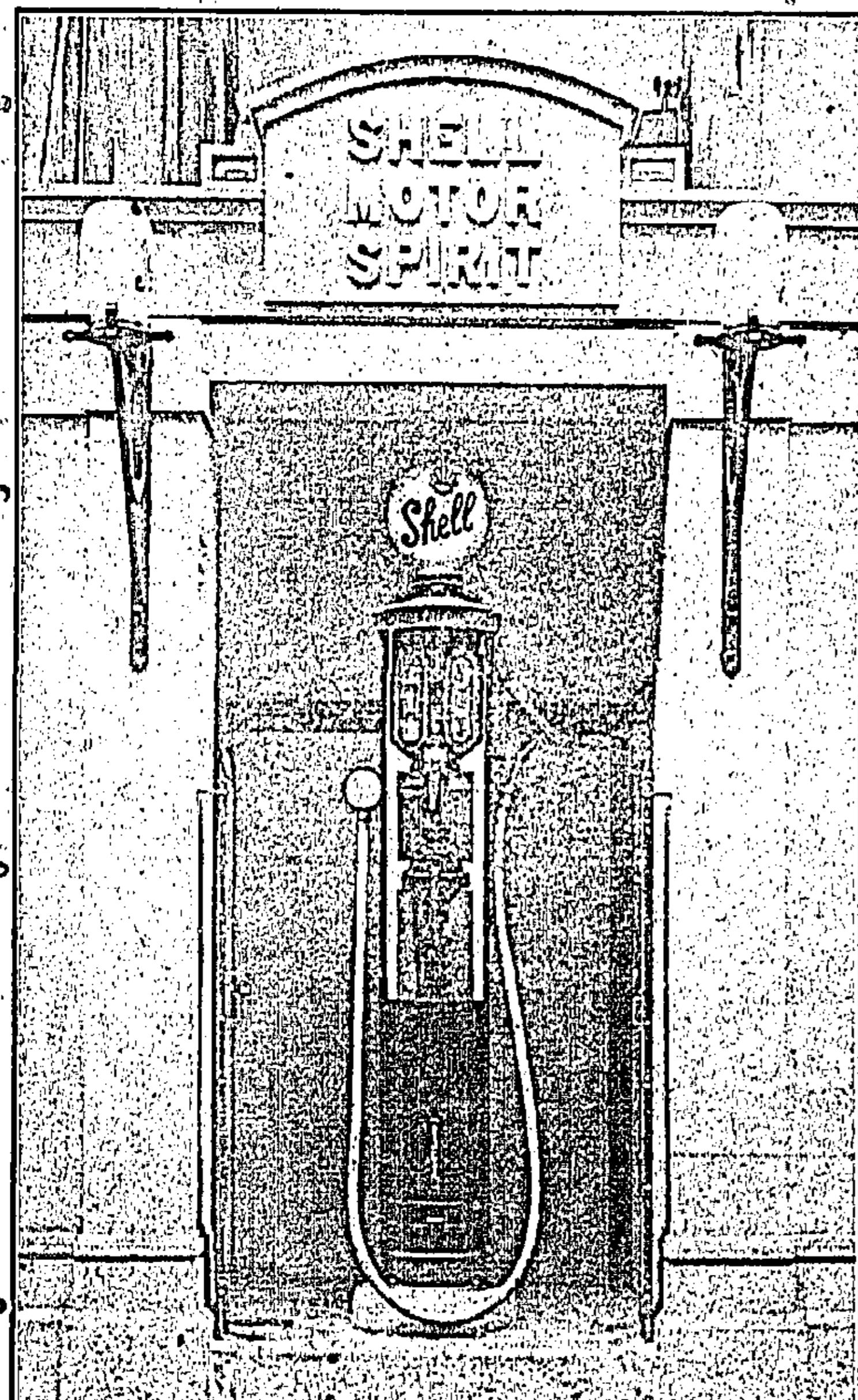
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CYLINDER WATER-LEAK.

Question:—Because of a wristpin coming loose, the third cylinder of my engine has been so badly scored that a few drops of water leak into the crankcase each day. Is there anything that can be put into this score to fill it up and stop the leak? Will the small amount of water, mixing with the oil, have serious effects upon the engine?

Answer: It seems extraordinary that a score could be deep enough to cause a water leak, considering that the cylinder wall is nearly 1 inch thick, but possibly there was a blowhole in the cylinder casting, where the scores took place. There are special

alloys, which are fused into scores and ground to surface, which make successful repairs. Almost any welding concern can handle this operation. Are you absolutely sure that this water comes through the score in the cylinder wall? It seems incredible. Doesn't the water come from a leaky cylinder-head gasket and run down the bore, collecting in noticeable amounts at the scored place? Even a little water in the oil may cause slight rusting of the bores. However, it will collect at the bottom of the oil-pan and by drawing off a little liquid each day or two, from the oil-drain hole, you can eliminate most of it.

DOES THIS CARBURETOR FLOOD?

Question:—On long grades my engine starts sputtering at the carburetor, misses for a short time, and then, with a little coaxing can be made to go on. Examination shows that the carburetor is flooded at these times. What causes this trouble?

Answer: It seems strange that the carburetor is flooded at times when there are back explosions through the intake. These generally occur when there is insufficient gasoline in the carburetor, thus making the mixture weak.

Did you open the carburetor draincock to see if it was fully or empty or did you conclude it was flooding from seeing gasoline drip from the air intake? Intake drip is not a conclusive evidence of carburetor flooding for intake explosions may blow back gasoline that has collected in the manifold, even when the level in the float chamber is very low. It is not clear what should make your carburetor flood under the conditions you specify. We should sooner think that fuel was low in it, due to vacuum tank insufficiency or derangement or from a dirty screen in the carburetor fuel inlet.

DEATH-SIGNS FOR

MOTORISTS.

Strange Proposal In
New South Wales.

A curious suggestion is being considered by the municipal and rural authorities of New South Wales, with a view to discouraging dangerous motor driving. The proposal is to erect a "death" sign at every spot on the public highways where a motor fatality has occurred. These signs would unfortunately appear at frequent intervals, and it is believed that they would have a restraining effect upon reckless motorists.

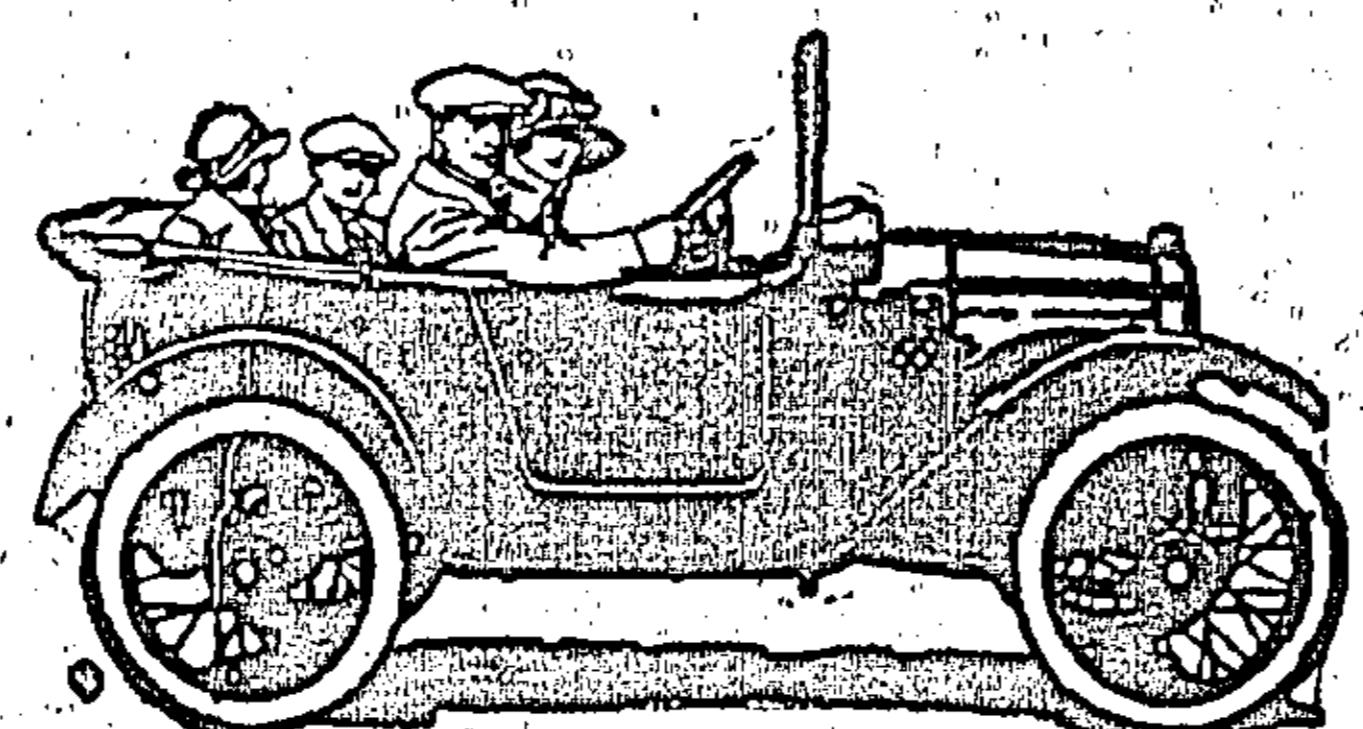
One local authority has already expressed willingness to erect such signs, and if the scheme is generally approved, the next step is likely to be an open competition for the best design.

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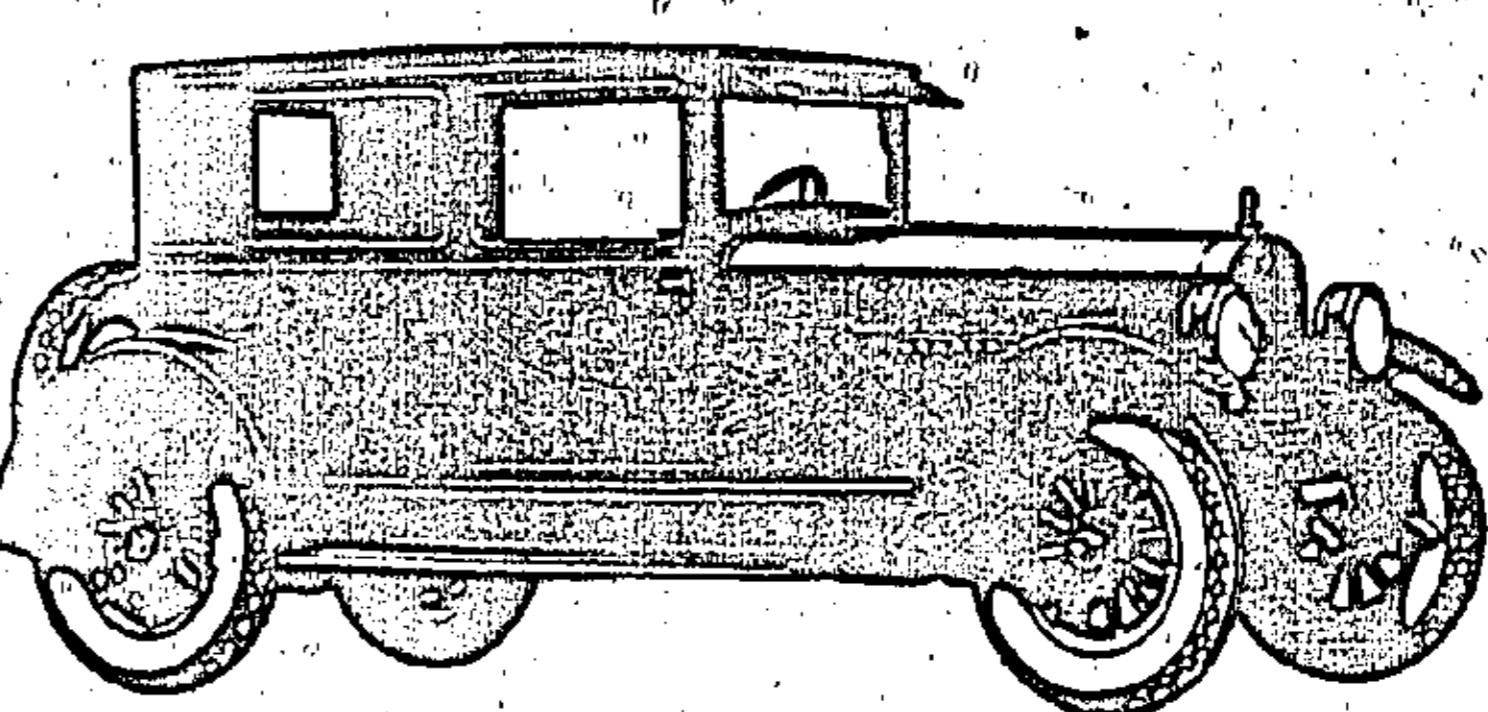
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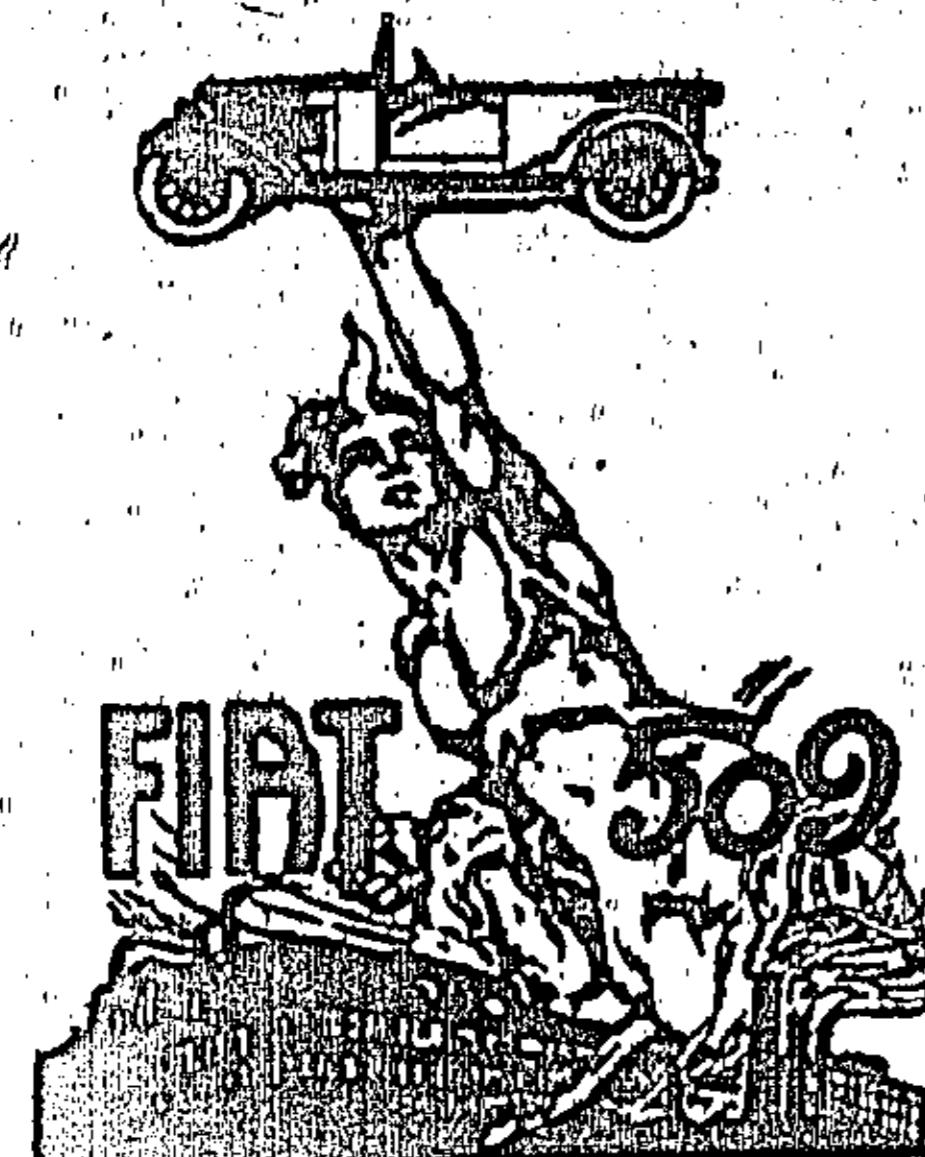
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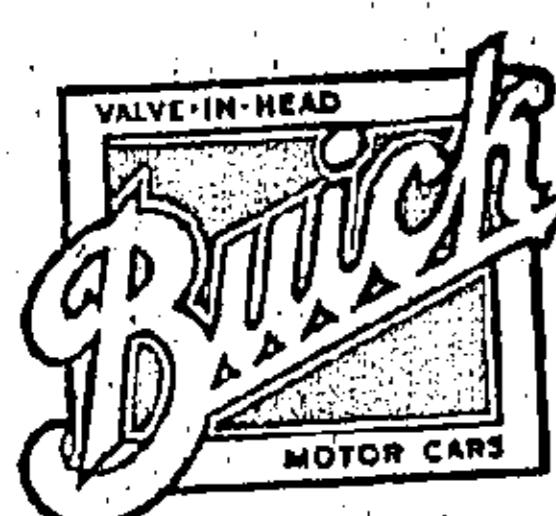
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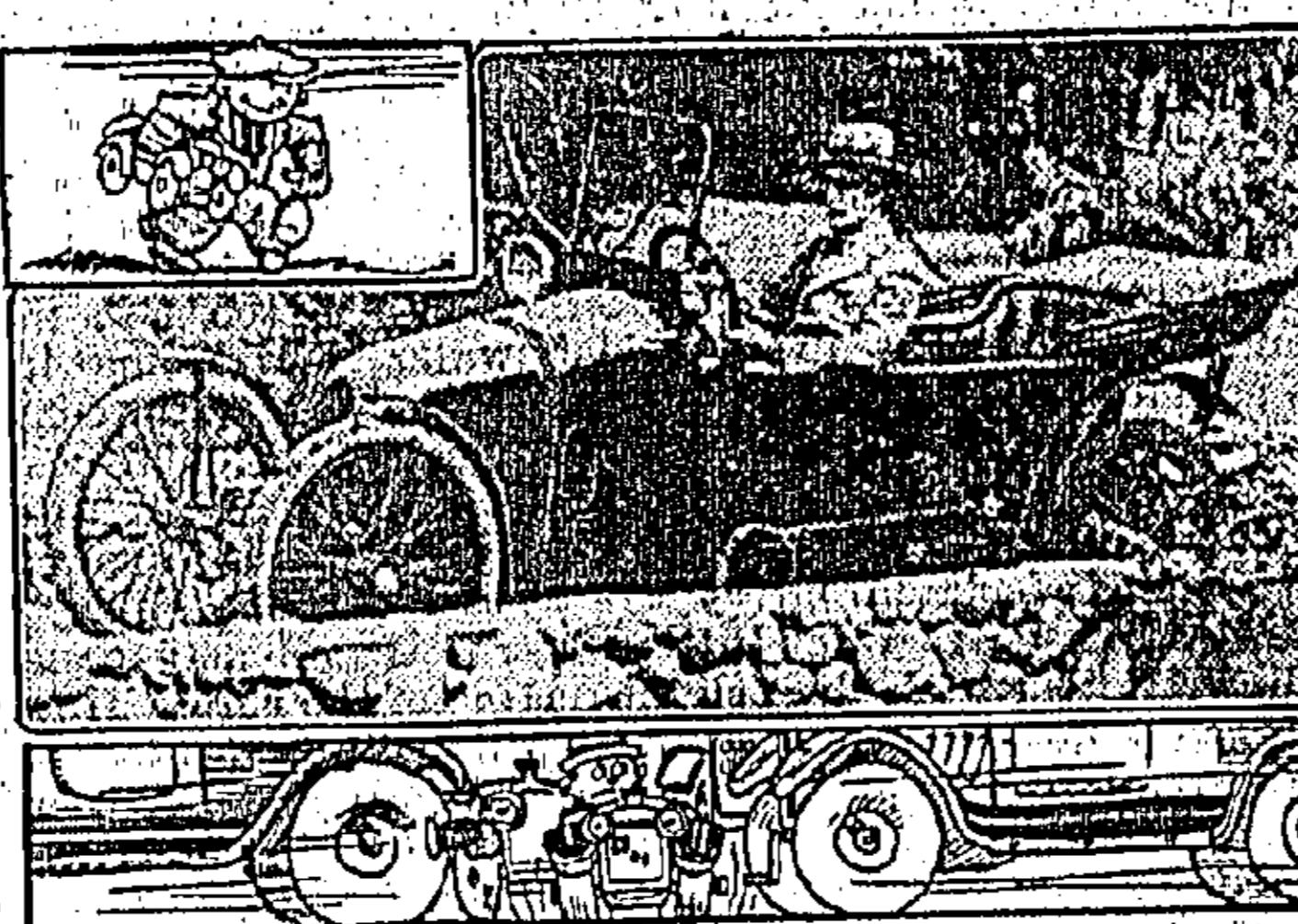
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One of these, American-made machines still is travelling the streets of Indianapolis, perhaps the world's original "European" car. It is small, it is light, and its cost of operation and maintenance is far below that of any standard car in America.

Even its name, "Economycar," designates, far in advance the purpose for the manufacture of the European type car to-day.

Charles A. Trask, Indianapolis engineer, is the owner of this car. He has had it for the last 13 years. He has a modern type, larger automobile, but depends on this little car for his city business and short distance driving.

The car has a 98-inch wheel base, two inches shorter than the shortest standard model in this country. Its tread is 36 inches. The wheels carry 28 by 3-inch tyres, which have lasted him an average of four and a half years for a set.

TWO-CYLINDER ENGINE.

The engine is of the two-cylinder, air-cooled, motorcycle type, with an additional fan and flywheel. It's the same engine with which the car started 13 years ago, and on which Trask has spent very little for repairs.

A planetary transmission furnishes two speeds forward and a reverse.

The car has a "one-man" top, which has been replaced twice. Its entire weight is 700 pounds. Trask has driven the car 60,000 miles, he says. And it's still as good as ever. It will attain a speed of 40 miles an hour, will make 45 miles on a gallon of gasoline, and will use up only five gallons of oil in a year's driving.

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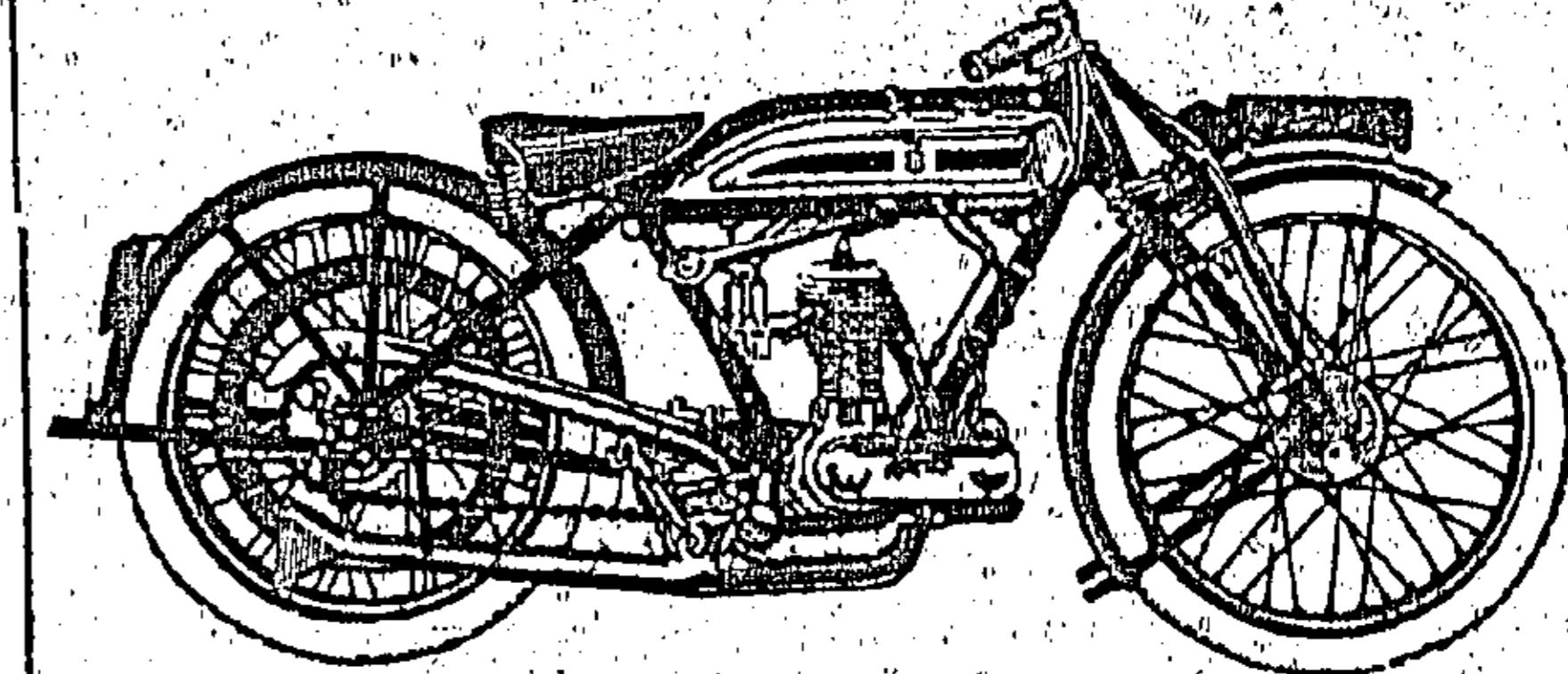
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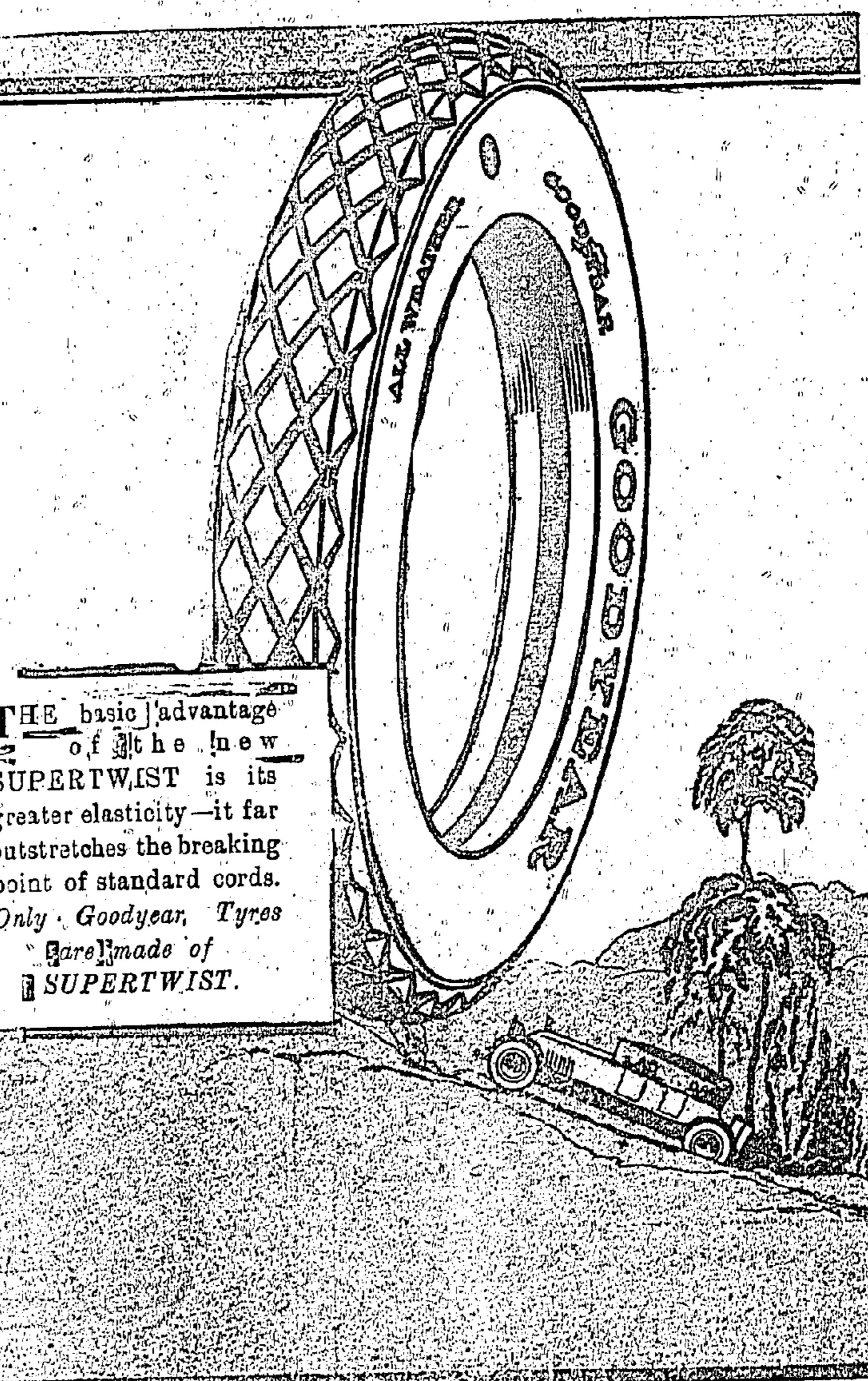
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The scheme involves an expenditure of more than one million pounds on planning and constructing a new heart for the city, for which architects in every part of the world will be invited to submit designs.

It will result in the centre of Birmingham being moved a quarter of a mile to the west.

Gardens will be laid out, and new buildings, such as a Mansion House for the Lord Mayor, a concert hall to hold 10,000 people, a new public library, and a number of other additional public buildings, will be constructed.

The architects invited to submit designs for this reconstruction will be asked to suggest a general lay-out for the area as well as plans and designs for the most suitable type of buildings.

The scheme will be put forward by Sir David Brooks, chairman of the sub-committee concerned, and it is understood that the city council are sympathetic towards it. They consider that the scheme will meet a long-felt want.

Birmingham has long been without adequate civic buildings. This new scheme will group them round the war memorial, and will turn the heart of Birmingham into a place of perfect buildings, new and old, and beautiful gardens.

The present Council House and other municipal buildings will be retained, but when the scheme is completed they will form part of a square covering more than thirty acres, with new roads branching from it and new commercial areas opened up.

It is probable that in order to complete this any leases which fall due will be acquired by the council, and that the buildings concerned will be pulled down or reconstructed.

"Our object is to make Birmingham the largest and the most perfect civic centre in the Empire," said Sir David Brooks.



Famous Architects.

"We have acquired most of the property concerned by stages during the last ten to fifteen years. Now the scheme has reached its climax. If it is passed, and I feel sure that it will be, it will mean that we shall issue invitations immediately to the most famous architects in the world to help us in our planning."

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"The necessary expenditure will be arranged by the city council under Government authority, and will be repaid by means of an annual sinking fund."

INGENIOUS THEFT.

EMPTY HAMPER IN LUGGAGE VAN.

An ingenious method of stealing, alleged by the prosecution to have been used by John Slayford, a Lambeth stoker, was described at Woking recently when Slayford was charged with being concerned, with a man not in custody, with the theft of tobacco.

The prosecution said Slayford's method was to put a large empty hamper in the luggage van of a corridor train. During the journey he would enter the van, hav-

ing a confederate in the corridor on the watch, and put whatever articles he could in the hamper. Then, on arriving at the station for which the hamper was labelled, he would claim it in the usual way.

The rail companies, said the prosecuting solicitor, felt they had stumbled on one of the causes of loss of goods and luggage. Slayford's landlady would give evidence that he constantly went out with an empty hamper in the morning, returning at night with a heavily laden one.

It being intimated that three other similar charges would be preferred, a remand was ordered.

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AMENDED LAWS.

HARBOUR MASTER'S NEW POWERS.

COUNCIL CLERK CHANGE.

The *Gazette* contains the draft of an Ordinance to amend the Interpretation Ordinance, 1911. This Bill makes three amendments in the Ordinance.

Clause 2 adds to section 25 of the Ordinance, a sub-section which provides that in an appointment to an office it shall not be necessary to name any particular individual but that the appointment may be of the holder of some other office in the name of that office. The sub-section goes on to provide that upon an appointment being made in that form the person who is from time to time, for the time being, performing the duties of the latter office shall be deemed to have been appointed to the former office.

POWER NEEDED.

A particular provision to this effect was inserted recently in the Marriage Amendment Ordinance, 1926. Under that particular provision it will be possible to appoint "the Land Officer" to be Registrar of Marriage, and that one appointment will be sufficient for so long as the Land Office remains the Registry of Marriages. Without this power it would be necessary to make a fresh appointment whenever a new Land Officer or acting Land Officer were appointed. Clause 2 of the Bill proposes to make a general provision for this class of case.

DEPUTY CLERK OF COUNCILS.

In order to reduce the pressure of work on the Assistant Colonial Secretary, it is proposed that, while retaining his duties as Clerk to the Executive Council, he should be relieved of his duties as Clerk to the Legislative Council. There is at present a technical obstacle in the way of this being done, in that the Ordinances generally contemplate only one clerk for both Councils. Clause 3 of the Bill meets this difficulty by providing in effect, for a Deputy Clerk of Councils. The intention is to appoint a Deputy Clerk of Councils who will act as Clerk to the Legislative Council.

HARBOUR MASTER'S POWERS.

Sub-sections (3) and (5) of section 22 of the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899, gives the Harbour Master certain powers over merchant ships, including, *inter alia*, power to allot berths, and power to give special directions for typhoon weather. It appears, however, that these powers apply only when the merchant ship in question is in a port of the Colony, and, therefore, so far as the port of Victoria is concerned, they do not extend beyond the harbour limits. Table W in the Schedule to the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899, makes Victoria Harbour a port of the Colony, and section 39 B (7) of the Interpretation Ordinance, 1911, gives the boundaries of the Harbour of Victoria.

Broadly speaking, those boundaries, as at present laid down, exclude everything east of a straight line drawn from North Point to Kowloon City, and they also exclude a large part of the area between Stonecutters Island and the mainland. It has been found in practice that ships anchoring to the eastward of the eastern boundary of the harbour, being outside the harbour limits and thus not being bound to obey orders issued by the Harbour Master under section 22 (5) of the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, sometimes fail in typhoon weather to raise steam or take other necessary precautions. Such ships sometimes drag their anchors down to the westward into the harbour limits and thus constitute a very grave danger to ships within the harbour limits which have taken all precautions in accordance with the orders of the Harbour Master.

NEW LIMITS.

For this purpose, if for no other, it is essential that the authority of the Harbour Master should extend to the natural boundary of the harbour on the eastward, i.e., to Lyemun Pass. The definition in this Bill extends the harbour to Lyemun Pass on the eastward, and also includes the area north of Stonecutters Island above referred to. This amendment is desirable also for the purposes of section 39 (18) of the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, which gives the Harbour Master certain powers over junks, lighters, cargo boats and small craft.

It should be noticed that the following results will also flow from the proposed amendment of the harbour limits:

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I am very sorry, ladies, but you mustn't wear your dear little Russian boots again this winter. At least, so the fashion papers say though they omit to mention what the penalty is for infringing the edict. Possibly the wearing of them will be its own punishment, since it will be apparent that a woman who persists in defying Fashion's ukase can only possess calves like beer-barrels and ankles like balloons.

I admit that this sudden change of vogue is very distressing, especially from the economic point of view, as it is very hard to find any practical use for discarded Russian boots. One lady of my acquaintance has, however, ingeniously converted hers into a stand for two umbrellas; another has



filled hers with melted lead and is using one as a doorstopper and the other as a paper-weight; while yet a third has cut the uppers of hers, and by means of a little light repoussé work, at which she is an adept, is busy transforming them into fancy washers for suction-pumps.

One of the exhibits at the recent Inventions Exhibition at Westminster was an unipicklock. Our friend, Mr. William Sykes, has since been heard to declare his intention of inventing, by way of retaliation, a silent burglar-alarm.

"Over-indulgence in sweet-eating," says an eminent physician, "often leads to a general downwarding of character." If this indeed be so, the moment is obviously ripe, not to say over-ripe, for instituting some sort of sweet-Eaters' Rescue Society. Inspectors of the Society might then be sent round to all our cinemas and theatres, and wherever they observed a young person tempted to eat one pear-drop over the eight, they should take him or her aside, and gently but firmly seek to persuade the victim to cast the noxious confection away and try sucking a potash lozenge instead. In order to drive the lesson home the Inspectors might further be provided with tracts in which the moral downfall of the wretched boy who had given way to a craving for aniseed-balls was depicted in glowing phrases; how, by persisting in the awful practice, he drove both his parents to drink and himself to a life of crime, and how he was at last spared a humiliating death on the scaffold by dying of billiousness while he was being pinioned. This, I think, if suitably illustrated with coloured diagrams of a chronic jujube-sucker's liver and the oesophagus of a Pontefract cake fiend, would go far towards stopping this insidious and debasing habit.

A man rushed into a City tea-shop the other afternoon and discharged three shots from a revolver. I have it on the authority of a customer who was present that at least two of the waitresses were distinctly heard to moan in their sleep.

Since Mr. Bernard Shaw has admitted that he attributes his child-like complexion to the fact that he only uses water, and never soap to wash his face, it has occurred to me that possibly all famous men have their own peculiarities as to face-washing, and accordingly I wired my own little coterie of celebrities to inquire what they were in the habit of cleaning their dials with. Here are their answers:

- Vessels affected by the Quarantine Regulations in Table L in the Schedule to the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899, if arriving in Hongkong between 6 p.m. and 6 a.m., will have to anchor outside Lyemun Pass.
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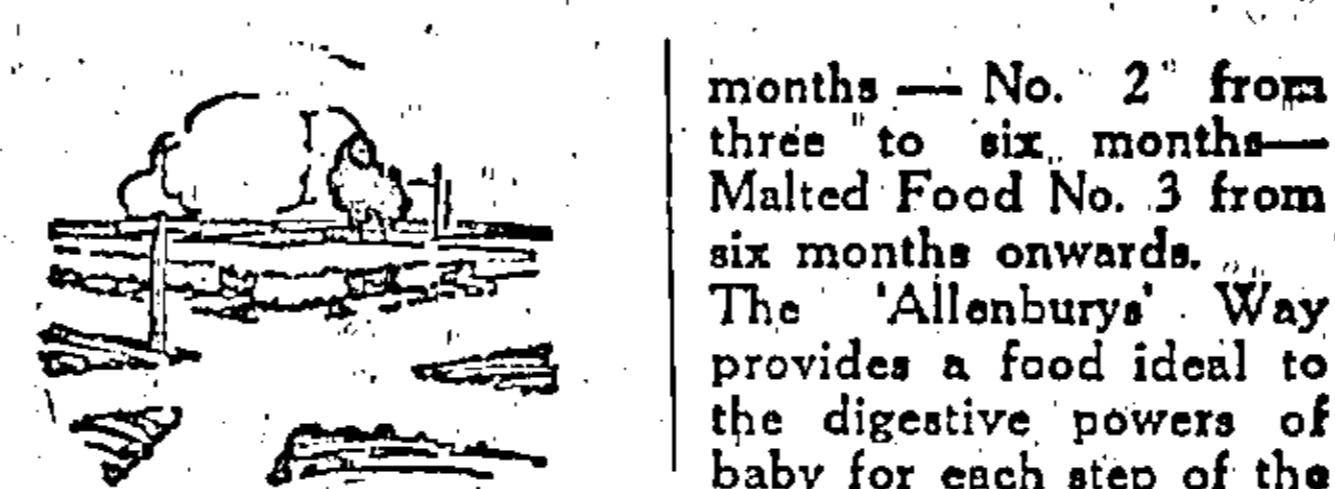
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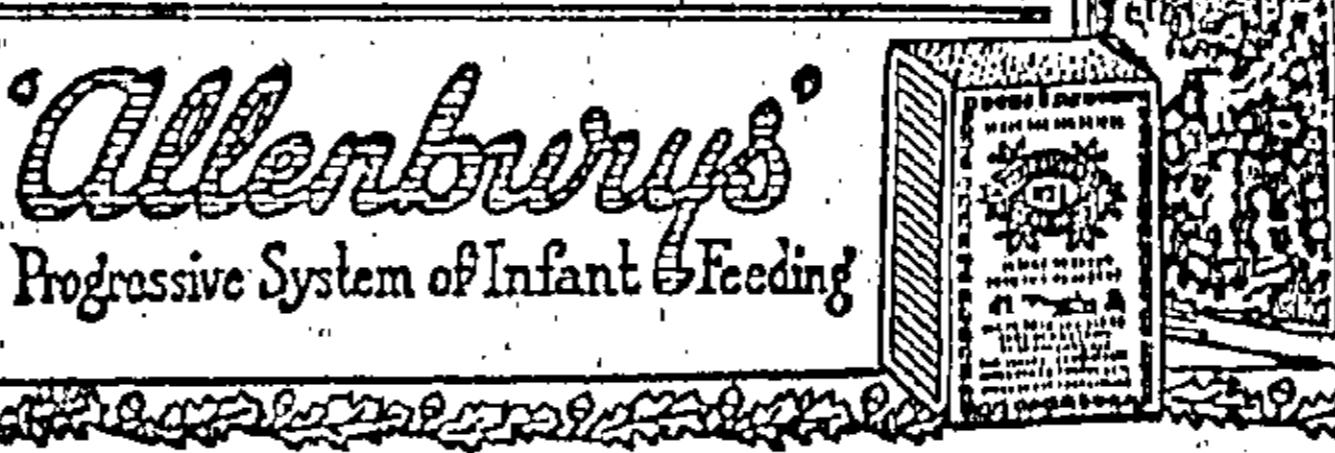
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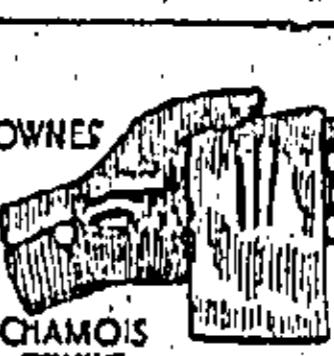
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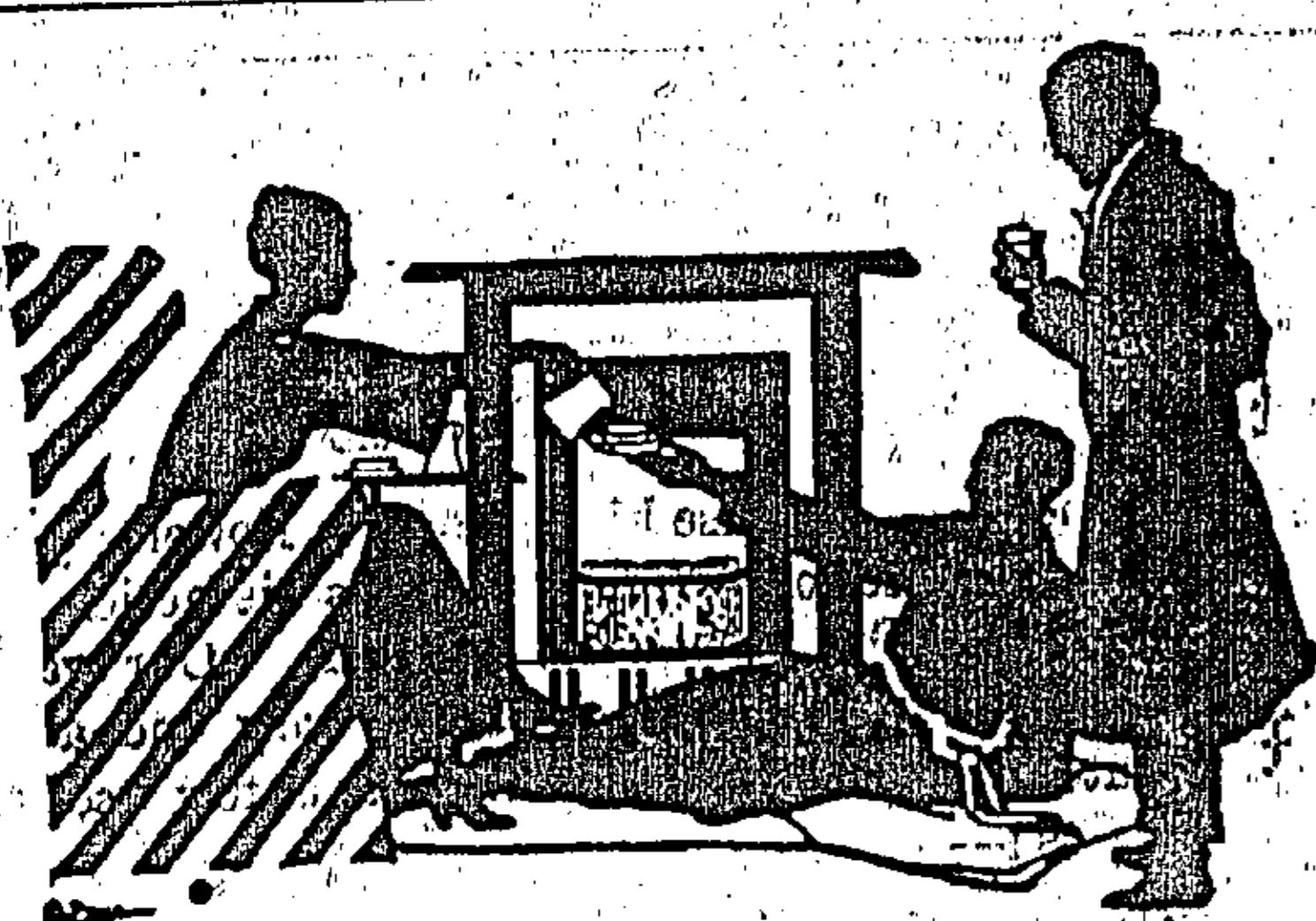
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YESTERDAY'S AUCTIONS.

LARGE ATTENDANCE AT CHINA ROOM.

The attendance at the China Auction Rooms yesterday afternoon was probably the largest seen at a public auction for some time, the attraction being six very valuable leasehold properties situated in various parts of the Colony. Although there was a great deal of bidding for each of the six lots only two were sold, the other four being withdrawn, the reserve price not reached.

The first of the two lots sold was situated on the remaining portion of Marine Lot No. 68, together with the building erected thereon and known as No. 4, Ko Shing Street.

Starting at \$25,000 with bids of \$200 each, acceptable, the lot was knocked down to Mr. Kwong King-chuen, for the sum of \$38,000.

A similar price was paid by Mr. To Long-chuen for the other sold lot, which was also offered at \$25,000 with bids of \$200 each acceptable. The lot comprised Section H of Inland Lot No. 1,247 and Section H of Inland Lot No. 1,262 respectively, 7 and 8 Mui, Fong Street.

After reaching \$31,400, No. 4 Mosque Street, which was put up at \$25,000 at \$200 bids, was withdrawn.

The other three lots were more valuable and in each case bids of not less than \$500 each were asked. "Hazeldine" No. 58, Robinson Road, was withdrawn at \$64,500 an increase of \$14,500 on the upset price of \$50,000, while No. 22 Stanley Street was withdrawn at the same mark after \$9,500 had been added to a similar upset price in the previous lot.

There were ten bids of \$500 each offered for No. 161 Des Voeux Road, West, which was withdrawn at \$40,000.

BANK NOTE CASE.

LEAVE TO APPEAL GRANTED.

Sir Henry Gollan, K. C. and Mr. Justice J. R. Wood sat in appellate jurisdiction yesterday afternoon to hear an application by Mr. Eldon, Potter K. C. for leave to appeal from a decision in the Summary Court by Mr. Justice Wood. The case was the Bank note case in which a Chinese plaintiff claimed \$500, the value of a Hongkong and Shanghai Bank note, which was damaged in washing a garment in which it was sewn for safety.

Judgment was given against the Bank which was represented by Mr. Potter. Mr. Somerset Fitzroy appeared for the plaintiff.

Mr. Potter after stating his application said the decision involved a question of considerable importance, not only to the Bank but to the general public in that it was liable to have a big effect on the note issue of the Colony. He then went on to examine the judgment in the court below and in doing so quoted many authorities.

The Chief Justice asked counsel whether if the lady owning the note had taken its number and was in a position to go to the Bank and say, "I have treated this note like this but the number was so and so" the Bank would be liable to pay.

Mr. Potter submitted the Bank would not be liable in strict law although he could say that they unquestionably would. Their object was not to avoid payment, that was the last thing they wanted to do. But the matter was bigger than that. He ought to remind them that the chief accountant had given evidence that these notes were presented at the rate of one a week. Serial numbers was an important thing, the whole system of the Bank's note issue being based on that.

His Lordship: I can see the convenience of that.

After conferring with the Puisne Judge the Chief Justice granted the leave to appeal.

MEXICAN OIL LAWS.

FOREIGN COMPANIES SENT REMINDER.

Mexico City, Dec. 17. The Government has telegraphed to foreign companies that, if they do not apply for confirmation of their titles in accordance with the oil laws within the time limit, they will be deemed to have renounced their rights.

A statement, however, in the same telegrams, says the law does not provide "forfeiture" for violation of the provisions.

A further statement commented on is that a number of the largest companies, popularly considered foreign, such as La Corona and El Gulla (Mexican Eagle Oil) are Mexican, according to their articles of incorporation.

U. S. STEEL CORPORATION.

LARGE INCREASE IN COMMON SHARES PROPOSED.

London, Dec. 17. It is officially announced that the United States Steel Corporation has unanimously voted to recommend to the stockholders at the annual meeting to be held in April, 1927, that the Corporation's common shares be increased by 2,033,210 shares, which is equivalent to forty per cent of the present outstanding common shares, for the purpose of distributing them as an extra special dividend to the common stockholders.

Although some distribution has long been expected, the size of the bonus comes as a general surprise. As a stock feature to-day's market dealt with an enormous volume which reached over 157 or over three points above the previous day's dealings.—Reuters.

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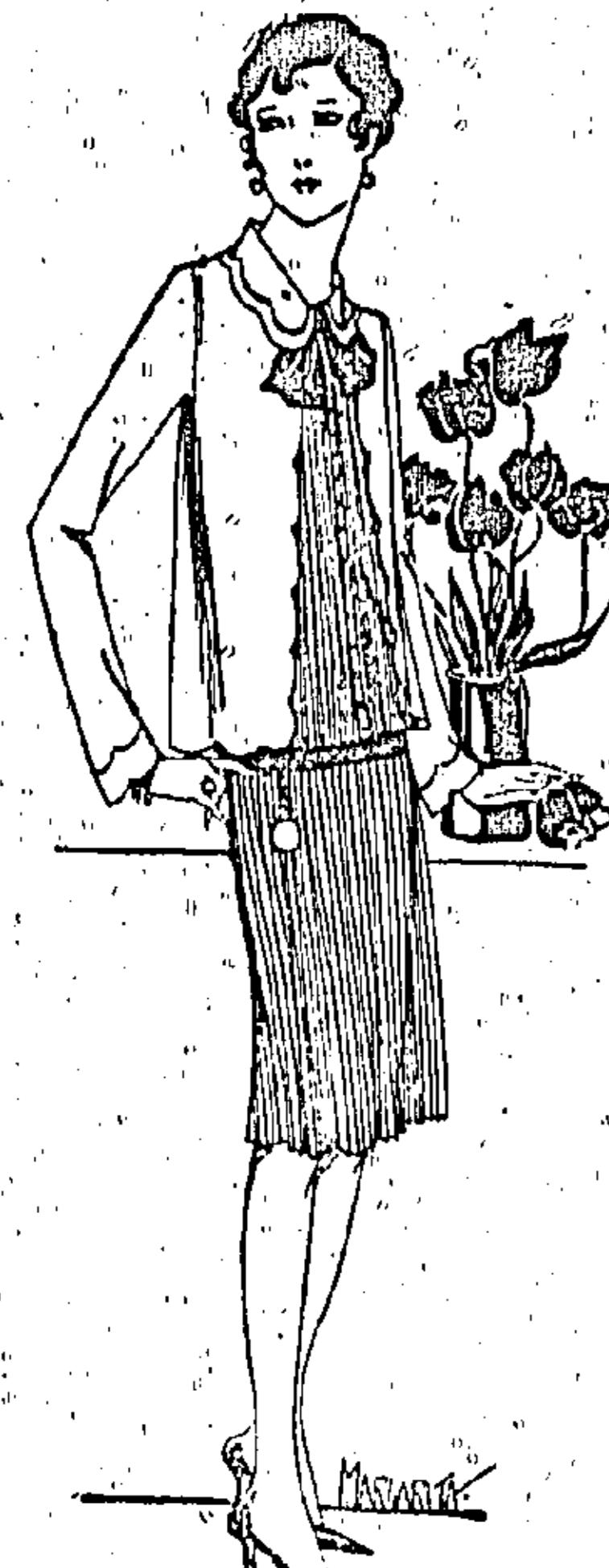
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The soundest rule for everybody is to dance in moderation. Taken in moderate doses, a good dance after the day's work is an admirable tonic. The evils of dancing are nearly all traceable to the abuses of early morning parties, excessive smoking, and a resort to cocktails because they are fashionable rather than because they are enjoyed. Dancing for the average person can be as healthy as tennis or any other out-door pastime if a few simple prohibitions are borne in mind. It may sound ridiculous to suggest to people that they should avoid overcrowded ballrooms, but if they want a healthy dance they will certainly have to do so.

Grace and Pleasure.

Another point to bear in mind is your style of dancing. The Charleston has not helped matters in this direction. It has "made dancing ugly and ugliness, giving as it does very little pleasure, adds nothing of value to one's individual well-being. Look after your dancing style, acquire grace and a fleet movement in the dances you do, and you cannot but derive inspiration and physical improvement from the process.

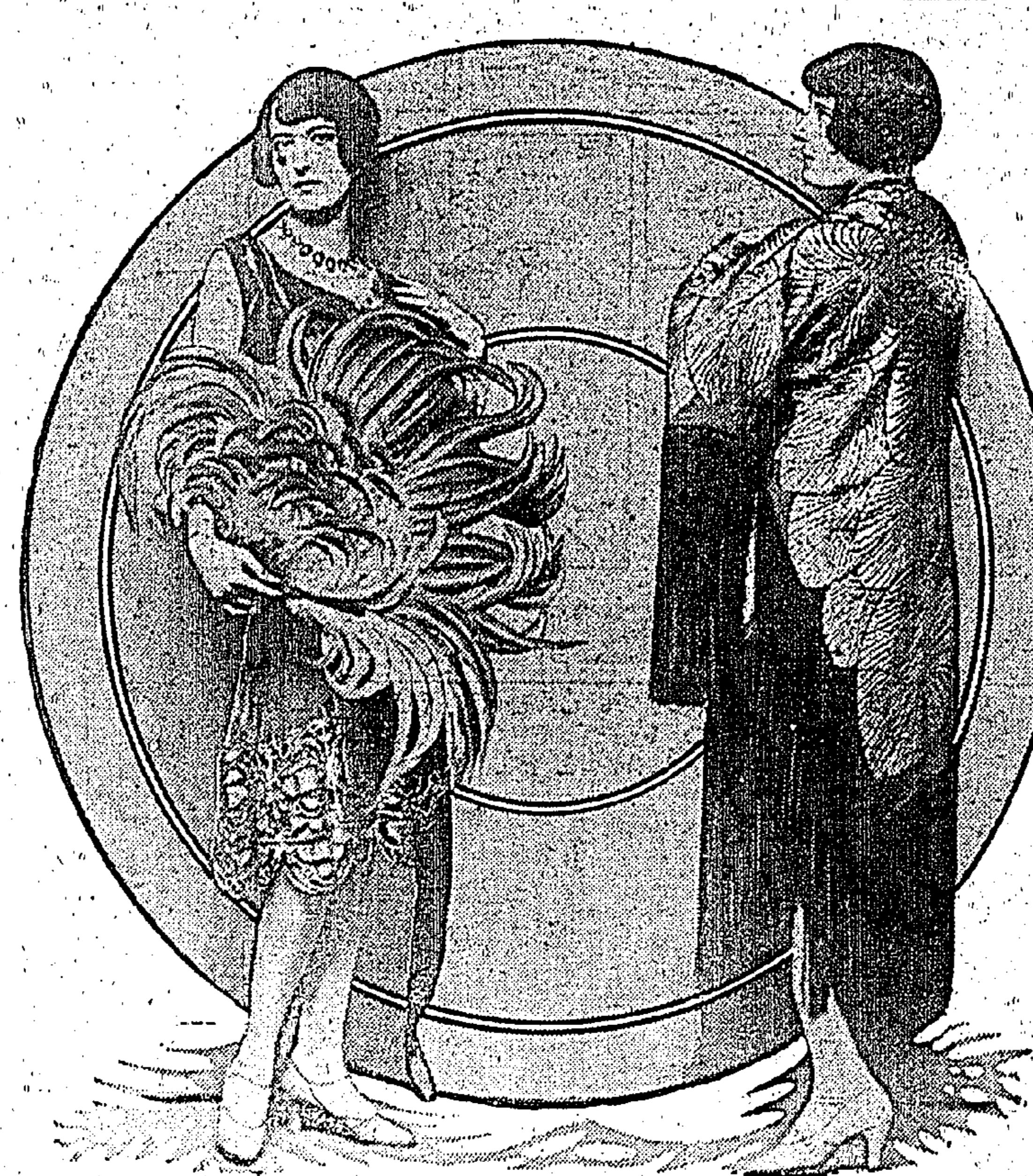
Don't dance for the sake of dancing, either in summer or winter, or you will speedily be reduced to boredom. If you dance whenever you feel the need of it you can never go wrong in your calculations.

Perhaps it is true that we take our dancing too self-consciously and wonder whether we ought to enjoy ourselves, while the enjoyment is slipping away. But the warm and cordial atmosphere, the attractive lighting, the exhilarating music of an average ballroom are undoubtedly of enormous recuperative value to normal humanity, and it is a sound instinct which makes for the dance floor without paying too much attention to ulterior matters of health and sanity.

A SOCIETY BEAUTY.



Lady Regine Lisburne, wife of the Earl of Lisburne, is acknowledged as one of the most beautiful women in London society. She is the daughter of Don Julio do Cossio, a Chilean attaché to London.



Two accessories that no smart debutante or matron could possibly do without are a coloured fan and a golden shawl.

OVER THE TEA CUPS.

(SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" BY "JOAN.")

London, November, 18. Stephanie's first contribution to our page is the dainty little nightie herewith, which I am sure you will agree combines grace and utility. It is not one of those affairs which one leaves about negligently for the edification of observers . . . and wears something else at night! Stephanie says that such a garment made in white, cream, or coloured voile, and inset with torchon lace, will wear and wash and wear again, looking delightful until it falls to bits. Of course, crepe de chine and finer lace can be employed in the making; but the voile is particularly suitable for the design. The pin-tucks, too, are a very delightful form of ornamentation.

Then Margarita's contribution is a little knife-pleated crepe de chine frock, to be worn with a coat of contrasting colour. Those of you who live in climates of a variable nature know what a boon the smart little house-coat can be. Last year it became a recognised article of evening and afternoon wear, supplanting the doubtful "woolly" which was guaranteed to spoil any woman's appearance, to say nothing of the fact that one immediately caught a cold upon leaving it off. This season it has become an integral part of the scheme of things sartorial, in that no "little" dress will be complete without it, and as it is made of a light fabric, it will slip under a wrap coat without suffering any ill effects.

BEING PHOTOGRAPHED.

UNNATURAL POSES.

"Just be perfectly natural, please," he says, and immediately we feel less natural than ever in our lives before, writes V. Sackville-West in the *Evening Standard*.

A few moments later, after a frenzied effort on our part to recapture through desultory chatter the magic of self-forgetfulness, the horrid man trips us again. "Just hold that expression, please," he says, and the smile stiffens on our lips.

We continue to grin in frozen

nose itches—yet we dare not scratch—our hand goes to sleep on the arm of the chair. The camera holds us glazed like the Medusa's head. Then the shutter clicks, we let out our breath, and are ourselves again.

If, that is to say, we are ever ourselves. There is always this business of posturing.

Few of us, I suspect, show precisely the same side of ourselves to two different people. It is their fault, no doubt, for calling out a different set of virtues, follies, opinions, tastes, or errors in us. We know more or less what they expect of us, and do our best to give it them, perpetually posing before the sensitive lens of their

We can't get away from the human camera. Its little shutter is recording impressions of us, snapping our mobility; and as we note approval or criticism so we are prompt to exaggerate or to modify. Unless, indeed, we react contrariwise and take a spiteful pleasure in going against the influence of our company.

Even so the posturing remains; it catches us either way. There is no escape.

The matter might rest there, with little hurt to anybody. There is, after all, no reason why we should let others see us as we are if we don't choose to. We put on clothes for disguise and decency, so why shouldn't we also put on a

PARIS TELLS US—

Moire and georgette crepe in exactly the same shade are combined in the newest dance frocks.

Velvet and metal cloth are used to make most exotic looking flowers that give a note of interest to evening gowns of coloured velvet or chiffon.

Slips of changeable satin, or of iridescent fabrics are used under chiffon gowns.

Yellow and green are being promoted as the most popular colours for winter resort costumes.

Attractive combinations of silk and lace to be worn under evening gowns are made without backs, so that they may do service under the most low cut evening gown.

Fur coats for evening, of ermine or sable, are often lined with very soft and pliable velvet instead of silk.

Leather coats in delightful shades of blue, red or green, are trimmed with narrow bands of gold or silver leather.

Chiffon evening frocks are a bit more sophisticated than they were last season, and often are given an unusual effect by the use of ostrich feathers shaded from light to dark in the colour of the frock.

This season's frock often has two coats, one a sleeveless affair of velvet or kasha, and an outside one of fur or heavy wool material.

Reversible coats this season are fur on one side and tweed or kasha on the other.

Chiffon dance frocks are popularly embroidered with rhinestones or encrusted with sequins.

Many of the new scarfs are of wool and they are embroidered in wool in peasant designs.

Flowers of fur are new this season and will probably be very popular on fur coats. They are made of short haired pelts such as un-born calf and pony skin.

Scallops are a very popular form of adornment, particularly for collars, vestees, cuffs and wide berths.



A dainty little garment to be fashioned of voile and lace as described by Joan.

THIS WEEK'S RECIPE.

CHOCOLATE DELYSIA.

A delicious chocolate sweet can be made by taking a quarter of a pound of any good make of chocolate, grating it, and putting it into a basin. Then stand the basin over a saucepan of boiling water for thirty minutes, stirring occasionally. Allow it to cool slightly, and then add separately the yolks of four eggs, beating thoroughly. Whisk the whites of eggs to a very stiff froth and fold them into the mixture ("fold" means add very slowly, without any attempt to beat). Then pour the mixture into a glass dish and stand it aside for eight hours. When ready to serve, cover with cream, and keep it very cold until sent to the table.

No innovation of this season has met with greater response than the bloused back. In evening gowns it is particularly featured.

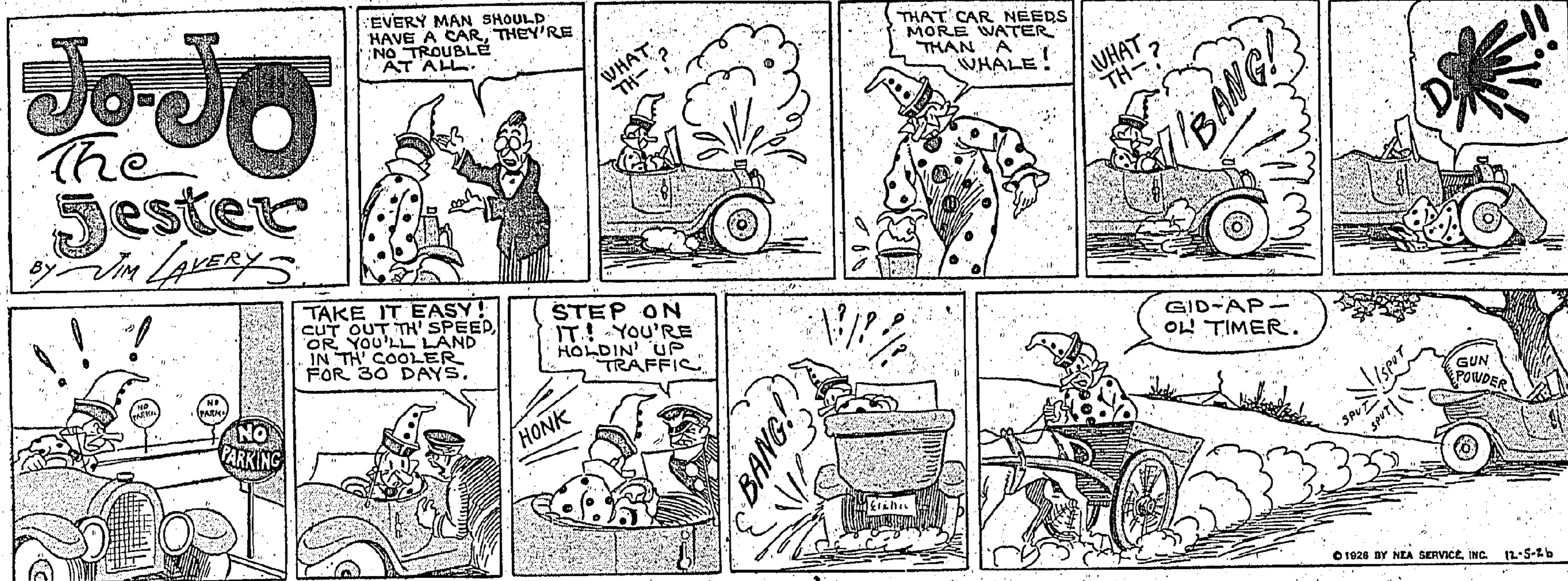
Black broadcloth coats trimmed with light furs such as summer ermine, natural lynx and light coloured foxes are the very smartest wraps you can effect.

Matching belts and hat bands, particularly in high colours such as Valencia blue or crimson are very much liked with plain coloured kasha or jersey sport dresses.

CAPTIVATES SOCIETY.

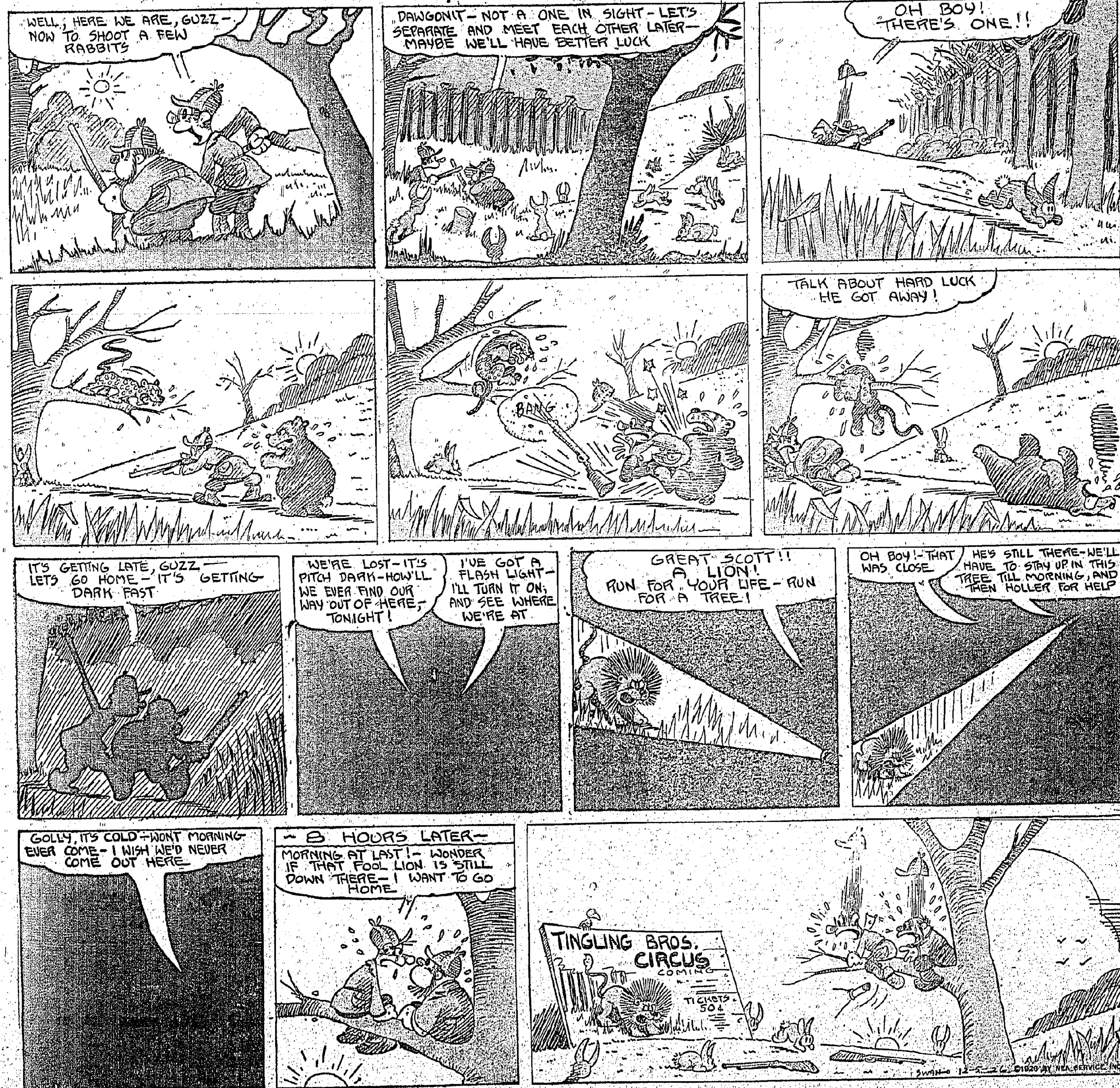


This debutante beauty is captivating Washington society this season. She is Miss Lillian Tuckerman, daughter



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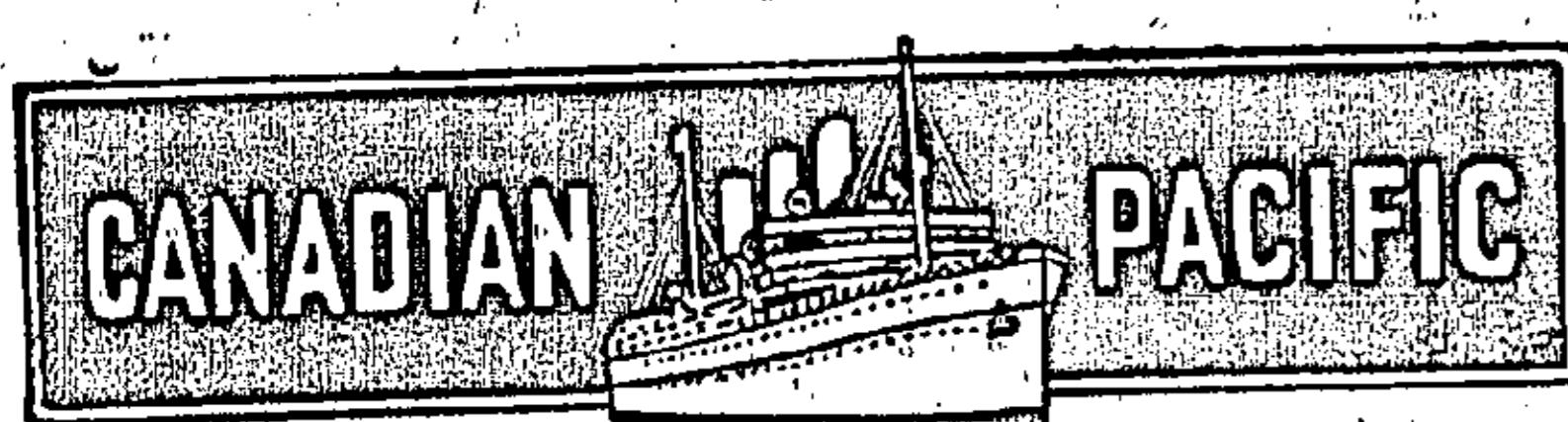
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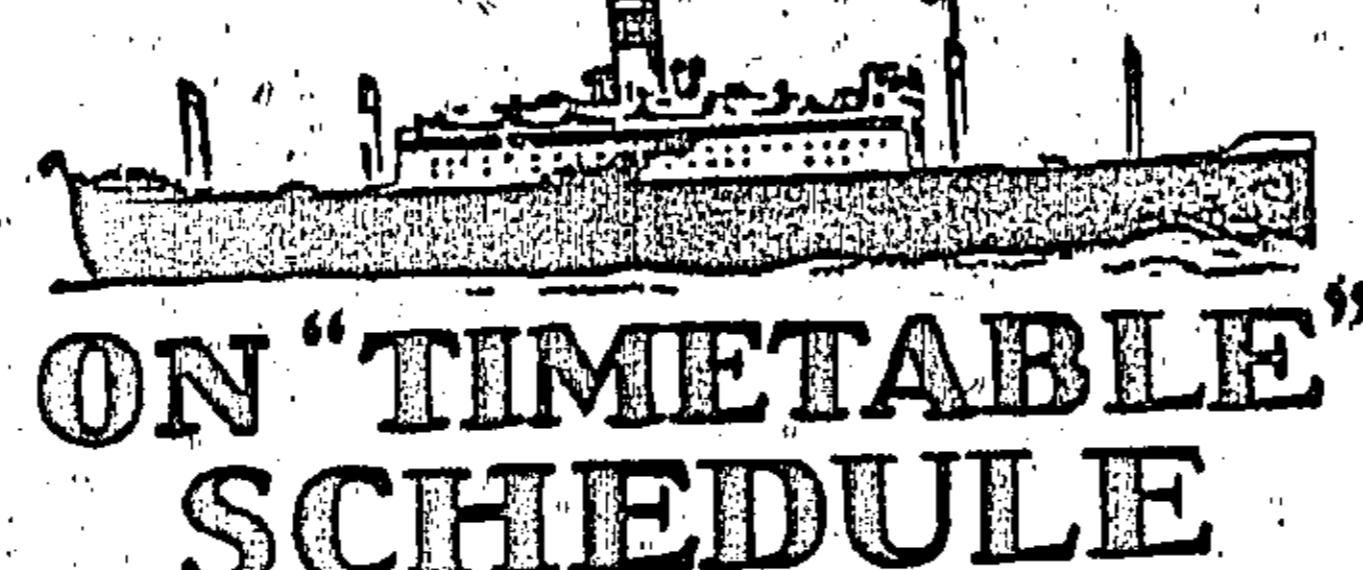
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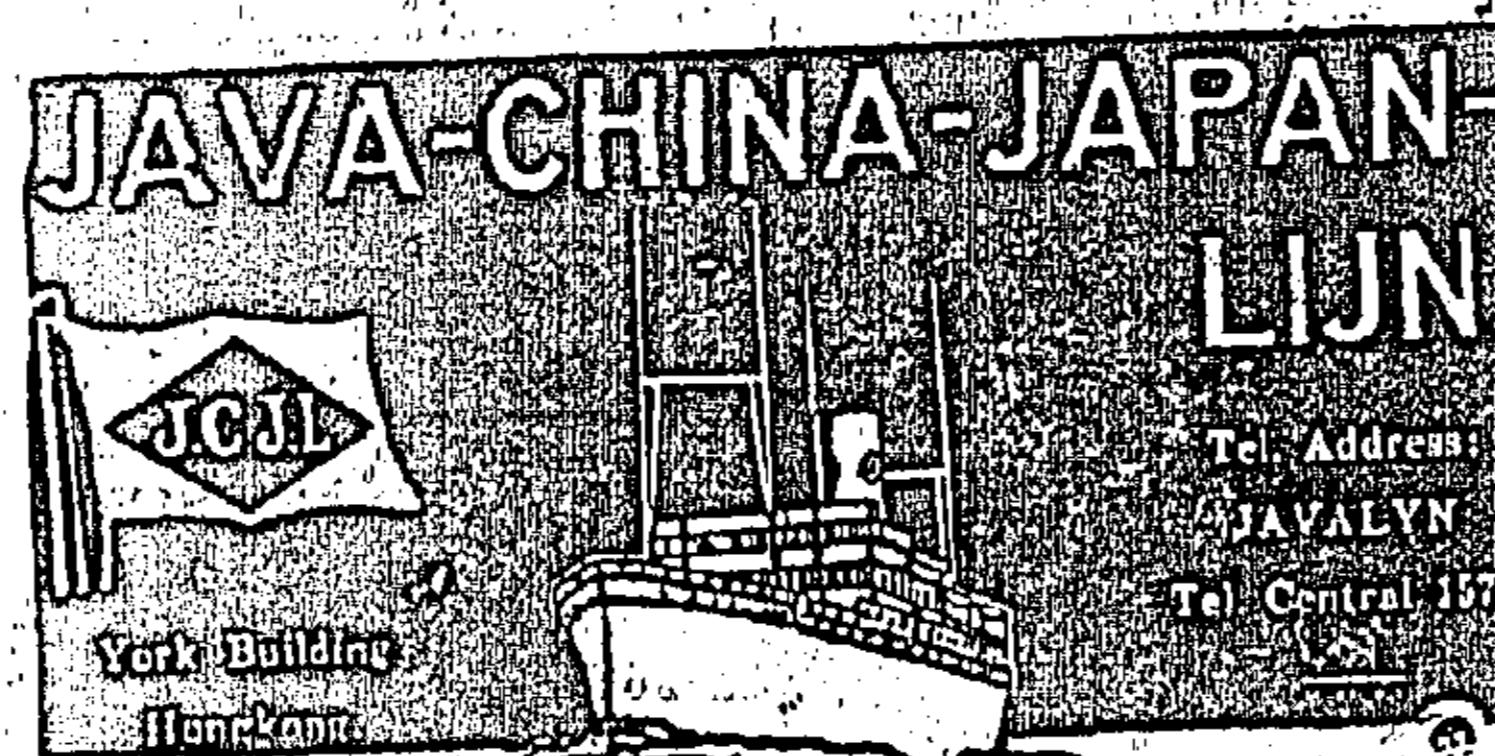
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CANTON LABOUR FEUD.

POLICE ARREST SIX PICKETS.

FIRM ACTION TAKEN.

A Canton correspondent states that on Thursday, a serious labour feud occurred at Tai Tak Maloo between the members of two rival Unions of comb-makers, resulting in one being killed and many wounded.

Despite police interference, the fight continued, and General Chien Ts-chun, the new Commissioner of Public Safety, on learning of the news, at once despatched a large body of armed police to suppress the feud. Subsequently, the police arrested six pickets and took them to the Canton Police Headquarters, where they were accused of breaking the law.

But the trouble did not end there. The Workers' Representative Conference represented to the Commissioner, on behalf of the comb-makers, that the action taken by the police was entirely contrary to Kuomintang principles which guaranteed protection to the proletariat, and further stated that the arrested should be immediately released. It was added that the labour feuds were encouraged by reactionary elements or "running dogs of Imperialists" who were attempting to crush Trade Unionism.

The Commissioner, however, turned a deaf ear to the pleas and the arrested pickets are still detained. What action will be taken by the Workers' Conference remains to be seen.

It will be recalled that when General Chien Ts-chun took office as Commissioner of Public Safety recently, he declared that no labour trouble or lawlessness would be tolerated. He also said that arbitrary arrests and picketing of business shops by Unions must be suppressed without clemency.

THE DOHENY VERDICT.

CONFLICTING POLITICAL COMMENTS.

New York, Dec. 17.
Newspaper comments on the acquittal of Messrs. Fall and Do-heny are tinged with political bias. The Republican *Herald* and *Tribune* rejoices at the acquittal as a wholesome corrective to sensationalism and as a triumph for the jury system. It admits that the result is far from being a clean bill of health for Fall, but thinks the jury could not ignore the patriotic motives behind the Doheny contract or the fact that the country benefited by the transaction in the swift construction of oil tanks.

A Honolulu paper also thinks that Doheny's character as a pioneering American type, influenced the jury in his favour.

On the contrary the Democratic *New York Times* declares that the charges are notoriously hard to prove and the people of the United States, who constitute the larger jury, will feel that scandalous impropriety, if not technically a crime, was committed.—Reuter's American Service.

LABOUR CONDITIONS IN AMERICA.

BRITISH MISSION'S REPORT.

London, Dec. 17.

The Government industrial mission to Canada and the U. S. has returned, most impressed with many new experiments in the United States and Canada and the effect of healthier and more harmonious relationships between capital and labour, both with and without the Trade Unions' co-operation. A noticeable feature

is the large and constantly increasing amount of stocks and shares held by work people in the companies with which they are employed and another development is group insurance, under which the workers are individually insured, both sides contributing to the premiums. Many of the larger plants have full time qualified doctors and nurses to attend their work people gratis at surgeries at the works, and these are provided on business and not on sentimental ground.

The wages level is much higher than in England and much is done to relieve the workman of heavy manual toil. Normal hours vary from 40 to 60 hours weekly. There have been a few strikes lately, but these were regarded as local and did not affect an industry as a whole.—Reuter.

SHORT TIME ABANDONED.

A SURPRISING LANCASHIRE DECISION.

London, Dec. 17.

Lancashire is surprised at the decision of the Short-time Organisation Committee of the Federation of Master Cottonspinners' Associations, at a meeting at Manchester to-day to abandon short-time in the American yarn-spinning section.

The official reason given is the manner in which short-time is being observed.—Reuter.

THE FRANC.

IMPROVEMENT BRINGS BANK RATE REDUCTION.

Paris, Dec. 17.

The Banque de France has reduced its discount rate to six and a half per cent. The rate was raised to seven and a half per cent when the franc was quoted at 200 to the £1 in order to compel the repatriation of French capital.

It is now considered that the object is largely attained and the reduction comes as a boon to French trade which is languishing.—Reuter.

RUBBER RESTRICTION.

CEYLON TO REMAIN A PARTICIPANT.

Colombo, Dec. 17.

The Council has rejected a motion to stand out of the rubber restriction scheme. The mover did not vote.—Reuter.

LOCAL MILITARY WEDDING.



This group was taken at the wedding on Thursday of Major G. L. Peterson, R.A.S.C., and Mrs. Compton Smith. The bride was given away by Major General Luard, who is seen on extreme-left. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

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